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Dear Ms Barnet,

**RE MAJOR PROJECT - PROPOSED MODIFICATION APPLICATION –
(MP 06_091 MOD 2) - ORICA SOUTHLANDS REMEDIATION**

I refer to your correspondence dated 5 November 2014 in regards to the application to modify the Minister's approval for the Orica Southlands Remediation and Warehouse Project. Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) note that we have been invited by the Department of Planning & Environment (DoPE) to provide comment or recommended conditions.

Comment

FRNSW has reviewed documentation from the relevant DoPE Major Project Assessment website, the specific attached documents reviewed by FRNSW of the project's Environmental Assessment include:

- Appendix A_MP06_0191Consent Documentation;
- Appendix F S.75W_Fire Safety Strategy, (dated 1 October 2014).

The following FRNSW comments, which form the basis of our recommendations to the DoPE, are provided for informative purposes, (please note, FRNSW does not object to our comments being forwarded to the proponent for their information should the Department so wish).

- A) FRNSW notes that Condition No.36 of the Project Approval (i.e. approval issued on the 16 April 2012) requires the proponent to prepare an Emergency and Fire Response Plan for the site to the satisfaction of 'NSW Fire Brigade'. FRNSW advises that to date we have not received an Emergency and Fire Response Plan and therefore are unable to make a determination on its suitability.



- B) The 'Fire Safety Strategy Report' for the Port Botany Industrial Estate – Stage 1 (i.e. Appendix F of the Environmental Assessment) proposes a number of alternative solutions in order to meet relevant performance requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA). To date FRNSW have not been consulted as a stakeholder as part of the consultative fire engineering brief process.

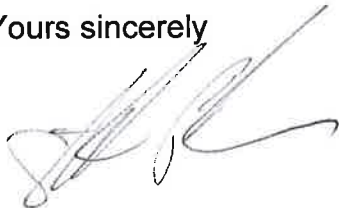
Recommendation/s

That the Director General consider including conditions of development consent which require:

- 1) That the proponent prepares an Emergency and Fire Response Plan for the site to the satisfaction of Fire and Rescue NSW.
- 2) With respect to the Port Botany Industrial Estate, that any alternative solution developed to meet performance requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA) be developed in accordance with the principals detailed in the 'International Fire Engineering Guidelines' (IFEG).
- 3) That the preparation of the fire engineering brief (as specified by the IFEG) be undertaken in consultation with all relevant stakeholders including Fire and Rescue NSW.

FRNSW thanks the DoPI for the opportunity to comment upon the application. For further information please contact Station Officer Mark Castelli of the Fire Safety Assessment Unit, referencing FRNSW file number BFS14/3261 (7056). Please ensure that all correspondence in relation to this matter is submitted electronically to bfs@fire.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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