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7<sup>th</sup> Sept 2010

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Mr Simon Bennett Team Leader – Strategic Assessment NSW Department of Planning 23-33 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

#### MAJOR PROJECT 08\_0032 APPROVAL NEW COCHLEAR GLOBAL HEADQUARTERS – MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY CONDITION 5 – IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD INTERSECTIONS

Dear Mr Bennett

We write to you with respect to Condition No.5 of the approval to Major Project 08\_0032 for the new Cochlear Global Headquarters within the Macquarie University Campus.

#### BACKGROUND

Part 3A Project Application 08\_0032 was approved by the then Minister for Planning on 2 January 2009 and was subsequently amended by a modification on 3 April 2009.

Condition 5, outlining a requirement to upgrade the Waterloo Road and Herring Road intersection was subsequently modified on 3 April 2009 to address the timing issues associated with this component of works. This was in order to provide sufficient timing for the intersection works to be properly considered.

The amendment modified the requirement for design approval by RTA and completion of the works prior to the issuing an Occupation Certificate rather than a Construction Certificate.

Condition 5 (as amended) is replicated in full below.

### 5 Improvement of road intersections

The proponent shall submit the detailed design of the upgrade of the Waterloo / Herring Road intersection to the RTA for approval prior to the issuing of a Construction Occupation Certificate for the proposal, and complete the works as approved by the RTA prior to the issuing of an Occupation Certificate.

All upgrades to roads external to the University campus shall be designed and constructed to comply with standards and specifications agreed with the NSW Roads and Traffic Authority."

## CURRENT STATUS

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Whilst these works are defined as a component of work within the Project Approval requirements, we note that this scope of work is part of Macquarie University's obligations.

The Cochlear development is nearing Practical Completion, currently programmed for 20 October 2010.

Certain obligations within Condition 5 have been satisfied with the design for the works submitted and RTA approval anticipated by the end of the month.

The full completion of these works however, will not be achieved prior to the Practical Completion timing. Macquarie University are currently indicating a likely completion time of the intersection upgrade works by December 2010.

Macquarie University has requested the RTA provide separate correspondence directly to the Department of Planning outlining the status of the above.

We also note that Cochlear's proposed occupation timing of the new facility includes for a staged occupation of the initial 50% of occupants by end November 2010 with the following 50% of occupants scheduled for some 6 to 12 months following this.

#### PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The current wording of Condition 5 requires :

"...complete the works as approved by the RTA prior to the issuing of an Occupation Certificate."

The Certifier has confirmed that the issuing of "an Occupation Certificate" refers to the issuing of any Occupation Certificate, including an interim Certificate.

Given the above, we would request Condition 5 be modified to read :

"...complete the works as approved by the RTA prior to the issuing of <del>an</del> **the final** Occupation Certificate."

This minor modification would enable an interim Occupation Certificate to be issued upon Practical Completion with the final Occupation Certificate to be issued once the intersection upgrades have occurred.

We have met with the RTA (Mr Andrew Popoff) who have confirmed their understanding of this issue and provided support of the proposed amendment.

We trust the above clarifies this matter, however should you have any questions on the above, I would be pleased to assist in any way. Please contact me on 9428 6555 or on <u>dagostinis@cochlear.com</u>

Yours faithfully

David Agostinis Project Director Cochlear Limited

# Request to modify a major project



NSW GOVERNMENT

Date duly made: \_\_\_/\_\_/

Modification No.

#### 1. Before you lodge

This form is required under section 75W of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* 1979 (the Act) in order to request the Minister to modify the Minister's approval to carry out a project or concept plan to which Part 3A of the Act applies.

Before making this request, it is recommended that you first consult with the Department of Planning (the Department) concerning your modification. The Director-General may issue environmental assessment requirements that must be complied with before your request will be considered by the Minister. If the changes proposed by the modification will result in a project that is consistent with the existing approval, the Minister's approval for a modification is not required.

#### **Disclosure Statement**

Persons making a request to modify a project or concept plan are required to declare reportable political donations (including donations of or more than \$1,000) made in the previous two years.

Note: For more details about political donations disclosure requirements, including a disclosure form, go to **www.planning.nsw.gov.au/donations**.

#### Lodgement

All modification requests must be lodged with the Director-General of the Department of Planning, by courier or mail. An electronic copy should also be e-mailed to the assessment contact officer assigned to the project.

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#### FULL TIME EQUIVALENT JOBS

Please indicate the number of jobs created by the proposed modification. This should be expressed as a proportion of full time equivalent (FTE) jobs over a full year.

Construction jobs (FTE)	Operational jobs (FTE)	1250	
6. Landowner's consent (where	required)		NAMES OF A

As the owner(s) of the above property, I/we consent to this request being made by the proponent:

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Name		and Chief Operating Officer
Date	Date 74/9/2010	2

Note: Under Clause 8F of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000* (the Regulation), certain applications for approval under Part 3A of the Act do not require consent of the landowner, however, the proponent is required to give notice of the application (e.g. linear infrastructure, mining & petroleum projects, and critical infrastructure).

#### 7. Political donation disclosure statement.

Persons making a request to modify a project or concept plan are required to declare reportable political donations (including donations of or more than \$1,000) made in the previous two years.

Have you attached a disclosure statement to this request?

Yes

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Note: For more details about political donations disclosure requirements, including a disclosure form, go to **www.planning.nsw.gov.au/donations**.

## 8. Proponent's signature

As the proponent(s) of the project and in signing below, I/we hereby:

- provide a description of the modification to the project approval or concept plan and address all matters required by the Director-General pursuant to Section 75W of the Act, and
- declare that all information contained within this form is accurate at the time of signing.

Signature	
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Name	
David Agosting	
Date	
14/4/2010.	

In what capacity are you signing if you are not the proponent

Name, if you are not the proponent