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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT 6-16 ATCHISON STREET, ST LEONARDS (M09_0187)

I refer to letter of 27 September concerning the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the above site.

The Director General's Requirements issued on 21 January 2010 includes among the major issues to be addressed in the EA:

CBD Rail Link Corridor

• The EA shall address the potential impacts on the future CBD Rail Link corridor as set out in the Attachment to the RailCorp letter dated 22 December 2009.

RailCorp's submission of 22 December 2009 included requirements for the proponent to take account of impacts of the foundation design on the corridor and from future rail operations.

It was established subsequent to RailCorp's submission that the site is not in the immediate vicinity of any currently planned alignment for the CBD Rail Link. Appendix 19 of the EA includes correspondence resulting from a meeting between RailCorp and the applicant's representatives in relation to the CBD Rail Link. Accordingly, there is no further need to pursue requirements in respect of the interface between the foundations and the CBD Rail Link corridor.

The Acoustic Report in the EA (Appendix 12) has evaluated the noise and vibration impacts of existing rail operations and the extent to which the Department of Planning's *Development Near Rail Corridors and Busy Roads - Interim Guideline*. As the site which is 150 metres from the existing rail corridor and outside the 60 metre acoustic zone, the guideline is not applicable.

In view of the above, RailCorp has no requirement for specific conditions in relation to the CBD Rail Link corridor in any approval issued by the Minister for Planning.

Thank you for providing RailCorp the opportunity to comment and please contact me if you have any further enquires.

Yours sincerely,

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