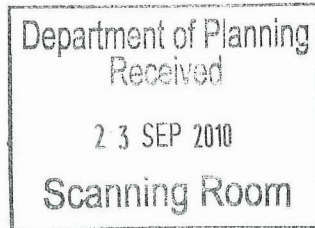


20 September 2010



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Dear Mr Cavallo,

**Re: Environmental Assessment – Major Project Application MP09_0200
Vehicle and Pedestrian Safety Project at Sydney Opera House**

Thank you for your letter of 16 August inviting submissions on the Environmental Assessment for the proposed vehicle and pedestrian safety project at Sydney Opera House. Sydney Water has reviewed the proposal and provides the following comments for the Department of Planning's consideration.

Water

The drinking water system has sufficient capacity for the proposed development. The drinking water main available for connection is the 200 mm main on the northeast side of Macquarie Street.

Wastewater

The wastewater system has sufficient capacity for the proposed development. The wastewater main available for connection is the 300 mm main north of Macquarie Street.

Trade Waste

All customers discharging trade waste into Sydney Water's wastewater systems must have written permission from Sydney Water. The trade waste requirements help Sydney Water discharge or reuse wastewater while protecting the environment and meeting regulatory requirements.

Sydney Water will either issue the customer a trade waste permit or enter into a trade waste agreement. A trade waste permit must be obtained before any discharge can be made to the sewer system. The permit is also needed for site remediation purposes. Applications for a trade waste permit can be made to Sydney Water at the Section 73 Certificate application stage. For further information please visit the Sydney Water website at

<http://www.sydneywater.com.au/OurSystemsAndOperations/Tradewaste/>

Sydney Water Servicing

Sydney Water will further assess the impact of individual developments when the proponent applies for a Section 73 Certificate. This assessment will enable Sydney Water to specify any works required as a result of the development and to assess if amplification and/or changes to

the system are applicable. Sydney Water requests the Department of Planning to continue to instruct proponents to obtain a Section 73 Certificate from Sydney Water.

The proponent must fund any adjustments needed to Sydney Water infrastructure as a result of any development. The proponent should engage a Water Servicing Coordinator to get a Section 73 Certificate and manage the servicing aspects of the development. Details are available from any Sydney Water Customer Centre on 13 20 92 or Sydney Water's website at www.sydneywater.com.au.

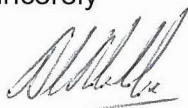
Sydney Water e-planning

Sydney Water has created a new email address for planning authorities to use to submit statutory or strategic planning documents for review. This email address is urbangrowth@sydneywater.com.au. The use of this email will help Sydney Water provide advice on planning projects faster, in line with current planning reforms. It will also reduce the amount of printed material being produced. This email should be used for:

- Section 62 consultations under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*
- consultations where Sydney Water is an adjoining land owner to a proposed development
- Major Project applications under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*
- consultations and referrals required under any Environmental Planning Instrument
- draft LEPs, SEPPs or other planning controls, such as DCPs
- any proposed development or rezoning within a 400m radius of a Sydney Water Sewage Treatment Plant
- any proposed planning reforms or other general planning or development inquiries

If you require any further information, please contact David Demer of the Urban Growth Branch on 02 8849 5241 or e-mail david.demer@sydneywater.com.au

Yours sincerely



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