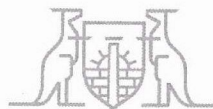




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Dear Sir/Madam

**VEHICLE & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECT MODIFICATION, SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE
MP09_0200 MOD 2**

The Institute congratulates the proponent and consultants on these well considered enhancements to this essential project.

The modifications have the common aims of improving the safety of visitors and of simplifying and enhancing the physical entry to the city's World Heritage site.

We particularly commend the architects on the refinements to the gate house design to reduce its intrusiveness at the entry to the forecourt.

The design report and the analyses of environmental and heritage impacts are worthy of commendation as models of clarity and thoroughness.

We enthusiastically support the application and the project's potential benefits for improving visitation to this great architectural icon.

Yours sincerely

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