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Dear Mr Cavallo,

**Exhibition of Environmental Assessment for the Redevelopment of Sydney Fish Markets
(MP10_0060)**

Thank you for your letter dated 20 September 2010 requesting Industry & Investment NSW (I&I NSW) comment on the environmental assessment (EA) for the proposed redevelopment of the Sydney Fish Markets.

Considering the provisions under the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* and the *Policy and Guidelines Aquatic Habitat Management and Fish Conservation 1999*, the Department does not object to the works as proposed provided that the erosion and sediment control measures and the acid sulphate soil management plan are implemented and included in any approval conditions for this project.

I&I NSW recommends that in-lieu of the vertical and steel sheet piling seawalls proposed for part of the reconstructed seawall that sloping seawalls of an environmentally-friendly design are used. These seawalls will provide greater habitat value for aquatic organisms and minimise refraction-related erosion. For further information about environmentally-friendly seawall designs see: http://sydney.cma.nsw.gov.au/index.php?option=com_remository&Itemid=116&func=startdown&id=315

I&I NSW commends the stormwater and water sensitive urban design aspects of this proposal.

The implementation of all the measures stated above should mitigate potential impacts on aquatic habitats from this proposal and provide an opportunity to improve the aquatic biodiversity of this part of Sydney Harbour.

For any further information please contact Carla Ganassin on (02) 9527 8552 or carla.ganassin@industry.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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