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Attention: Ms Kate Masters

Dear Neville,

### **Environmental Assessment for Sydney City Grid Stage 2D**

I refer to your letter dated 5 November 2010 requesting the Heritage Branch to make a submission on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the above mentioned project. The following comments are provided to assist in the assessment process.

The EA has assessed the heritage significance of the site and considered the impacts the development could have upon nearby heritage items. Mitigation measures are prescribed at Sections 10.3 and 11.3 in relation to archaeological and built heritage as well as Aboriginal heritage significance. The Heritage Branch supports these measures and recommends that the following conditions be included in any approval that may be granted for this development proposal, viz:

#### **Archaeological heritage**

- Construction of the Dalley Street shaft must be carried out with archaeological input as the site has the potential to contain archaeological remains associated with the history and development of Sydney, including the Tank Stream.
- The site must be inspected by an archaeologist once the existing road surface has been removed and prior to excavation commencing.
- The initial bulk excavation must be monitored so that any buried features can be recognised.

- If construction of the shaft impacts on any archaeological remains, including the Tank Stream, EnergyAustralia must investigate alternative locations for the Dalley Street shaft, giving consideration to existing services and utilities located within the vicinity of the area.
- Any items of archaeological significance or interest must be recorded by an archaeologist and managed in consultation with the Heritage Branch of the Department of Planning.
- Any evidence of substantial archaeological remains must be investigated and recorded and soil samples taken for analysis.

#### **Built heritage**

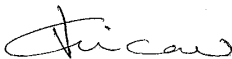
- Potential indirect impacts on items of built heritage significance due to vibration impacts must be managed in accordance with the mitigation measures detailed in Section 9.4 'Sydney CityGrid Project Environmental Assessment for Stage 2d' dated November 2010; and
- Dilapidation surveys must be conducted on buildings in the immediate vicinity of the project site alignment to identify any heritage listed buildings that are structurally unsound.
- If heritage listed buildings are found to be structurally unsound, consideration must be given to the need to adopt alternative vibration criteria.

#### **Indigenous heritage**

- Should any Aboriginal objects be found the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW) must to be informed (as required by the provisions of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974). All works must cease immediately and not recommence until written authorisation from DECCW is received. The Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council must also be notified.

The Heritage Branch would be happy to review any further documentation that may address any likely heritage impacts.

Yours sincerely,



02/12/2010

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