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Dear Mr Zhang,

Subject: New Request for Advice – Pick n Payless Metal Recovery and Recycling Facility (SSD-8375) (Blacktown)

I refer to your e-mail dated 6 November 2019 requesting comments from the Environment, Energy and Science Group (EES) in the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment on the exhibited environmental impact statement for the Pick n Payless Metal Recovery and Recycling Facility (SSD-8375) (Blacktown).

EES have reviewed the relevant documentation and provides the following comments.

Biodiversity

A Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) waiver request was approved on 18 November 2019.

Flooding

EES has reviewed the Flood Impact Assessment prepared by Catchment Simulation Solutions (CSS) Revision 3 dated March 2019 and makes the following comments:

- The site is impacted by flooding in the 1% AEP and incorporates areas of flood storage.
- The assessment indicates that the proponent will be required to maintain these flood storages areas or provide an equivalent compensatory storage. It also indicates that the impacts of the project on flooding behaviour is confined within the site and do not affect adjacent areas.
- The assessment is limited to the 1% AEP. The full range of flooding up to the probable
 maximum flood (PMF) has not been considered. The Eastern Creek Hydraulic Assessment
 shows the site is largely inundated in the PMF event and classified high hazard. Accordingly,
 consideration should be given to the emergency management of the site during rarer events
 up to the PMF to ensure the safety of the workers and users of the site.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Bronwyn Smith, Senior Conservation Planning Officer on 9873 8604 or Bronwyn.smith@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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