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Attention: Ingrid Berzins

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### No Comment to Planning Advice Request

Thank you for the request for advice input from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed St John of God Richmond Hospital Redevelopment Application SSD-10394 at 235 Grose Vale Road, North Richmond.

The proposal is for:

- Site preparation working including partial demolition of existing facilities, earthworks and tree removal
- Refurbishment of some existing facilities
- Construction of 6 new buildings, ranging in height from 1-2 storeys
- Increase in bed capacity from 88 – 112
- Integrated landscaping

Based on the information provided, the proposal does not appear to require an environment protection licence under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*. Furthermore, the EPA understands that the proposal is not being undertaken by or on behalf of a NSW Public Authority nor are the proposed activities other activities for which the EPA is the appropriate regulatory authority.

In view of these factors, the EPA has no comments to provide on this project and no follow-up consultation is required.

While the EPA does not have regulatory involvement in the projects, we recommend that the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) should address the following:

**Waste management** – The EIS should estimate volumes of waste generated on the site and identify waste streams and disposal options for all waste including liquid waste, wastes classified as hazardous and wastes containing radiation. Waste management should consider the prevention of pollution, minimising resource use, improving the recovery of materials from the waste stream and ensuring the appropriate disposal of waste.

The EPA has published guidelines (available at [epa.nsw.gov.au](http://epa.nsw.gov.au)) relating to the above issue to guide assessment of these matters.

The EPA does not require any follow-up consultation and Hawkesbury City Council should be consulted as the appropriate regulatory authority for the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* in relation to the proposal.

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If you have any questions about this request, please contact Environment Line on 131 555 and quote the reference number.

Yours sincerely

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