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Department of Planning, Industry & Environment Industry Assessments GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Susan Fox

SSD 10435 – EIS – CENTRAL WASTE PLANT RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY – 8 STYLES STREET KURRI KURRI

On 9 April 2021 Transport for NSW (TfNSW) accepted the referral by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) through the Planning Portal regarding the abovementioned application. DPIE referred the application to TfNSW for comment. This letter is a submission in response to that referral.

TfNSW's primary interests are in the road network, traffic and broader transport issues. In particular, the efficiency and safety of the classified road network, the security of property assets and the integration of land use and transport.

TfNSW understands the proposal is seeking to:

- increase throughput up to 300,000 tpa;
- increase allowable operating hours to 24 hours per day, 7 days per week; and
- increase the maximum stockpile height to 8m.

TfNSW Response & Requirements

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Council is the roads authority for Styles Street (local road) road and all other public roads in the area, in accordance with Section 7 of the *Roads Act 1993*.

TfNSW has reviewed the referred information including the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared by EMM and dated March 2011, and provides the following comments to assist the consent authority in making a determination:

- It is noted that direct impact on the road network will be to the local roads: Styles Street (local road), and Mitchell Avenue, Hart Street and Government Road (unclassified (Regional) roads).
- Page 46 of the EIS notes that larger trucks such as 26m long B-double trucks would access the Resource Recovery Facility directly at 8 Styles Street on pre-agreed delivery times. The NSW Restricted Access Vehicle map shows that Styles Street is not an approved B-double route. Approval should be sought to use Styles Street as a B-double route in accordance with the requirements of the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator.
- Page 94 of the EIS notes that traffic control will be provided for the crossing of Styles Street (between 1 – 8 Styles Street) either by a traffic controller or a traffic light system. It is noted that accessing 8 Styles Street from the queuing area at 1 Styles Street requires trucks to cross Styles Street with limited sight distances, potentially creating safety issues. It is recommended that the consent authority be satisfied with the proposed traffic control arrangements, including whether a traffic controller should be permanently manned at this location 24/7, prior to determination of the application.
- It is recommend that consideration be given to the following on the local road network:
 - Pedestrian access to the site for the proposed café due to close proximity of customers within walking distance.
 - o The left turn lane into café site is in conflict with left turn movements into Styles Street.
 - Provision of waiting bays for trucks in café carpark area remote from the loading site.
 - Investigation of intersection improvements at Styles Street and Mitchell Avenue, Mitchell Avenue and Government Road.

On determination of this matter, please forward a copy to TfNSW for record and / or action purposes. Should you require further information please contact Kate Leonard, Development Assessment Officer, on 0428 260 461 or by emailing development.hunter@rms.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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