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Dear Mr Roppolo

Re: New Sydney Fish Market - Stage 2 MOD 4 - Redistribution of sediment (SSD 8925)

Thank you for your referral dated 30 April 2021 inviting comments from the Heritage Council of NSW on the above State Significant Development (SSD) Stage 2 MOD 4.

The proposal is to modify the consent to SSD 8924 (approved by the Minister for Planning and Public Places on 12 June 2020) which included the demolition existing wharves, structures, utilities and services. It is noted the approved SSD works have commenced and the former Hanson Wharf has been demolished allowing for a more accurate estimate of the sediment profile in the area, which was not accessible previously. The modifications are being proposed in response to on-site conditions and involve changes in the amount of sediment that is required to be redistributed to level the seabed prior to construction of the basement.

The Planning Report prepared by BBC Consulting Planners dated April 2021 and letter on Maritime Heritage prepared by Comber Consultants dated 16 April 2021 have been reviewed and the following comments are provided:

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- The Planning Report states that *approximately 12,500 m³ of sediment material in the basement footprint primarily under the former Hanson wharf may require movement as reprofiling to facilitate construction of the basement and ensure maintenance of culvert infrastructure performance and removal of existing rock revetment sections.*
- The modification would not alter the relationship of the development to the State Heritage Register listed item, *Glebe and Wentworth Park Railway Viaducts* (SHR No 01034), as the visible bulk and scale of the development remains unchanged. The modified development will, therefore, remain substantially the same as the approved development and is supportable.

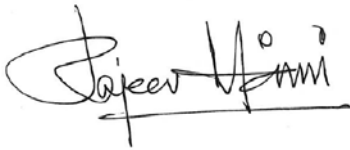
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- A letter prepared by Comber Consultants dated 16 April 2021 has identified that *the increase in seabed disturbance through sediment redistribution has the potential for additional impacts on archaeological deposits which date back to early industrial development at the head of Blackwattle Bay from 1886*, and recommends adjustments to the approved archaeological testing program.
- These include two additional archaeological test trenches in the area beneath the Hanson Concrete Dispatching Plant wharf and revised placements of test trenches to enable testing in the area to be occupied by the Eastern Plaza. The proposed mitigation

measures and revisions to the archaeological testing program as outlined in the letter are supported and it is recommended that the relevant consent condition be modified to include the specific recommendations provided in the letter from Comber consultants.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact Shikha Jhaldiyal, Senior Heritage Assessment Officer, at Heritage NSW, on 9873 8545 or shikha.jhaldiyal@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rajeev Maini', with a horizontal line underneath.

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As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW
17 May 2021