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Dear Ms. Groth

Notice of Exhibition - Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) - for the Access Logistics Park (SSD-17647189), (Penrith LGA), Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment.

Thank you for your referral dated 18 October 2021 inviting comments from Heritage NSW with respect to Aboriginal cultural heritage, in relation to the above State Significant Development proposal.

Heritage NSW has reviewed the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR)*, 884-928 Mamre Road, Kemps Creek, Altis Property Partners, Austral Archaeology, 9 July 2021, for the proposed construction and operation of a warehouse and a logistics hub. Heritage NSW notes that the majority the subject area demonstrates high levels of land use disturbance; however, the northern section exhibited some potential for Aboriginal cultural heritage material to be present. Archaeological test excavations were undertaken under the Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in NSW in the northern section of the subject area and 7 Aboriginal objects were recovered.

Heritage NSW concurs that the Aboriginal objects recovered are representative of a very low-density background artefact scatter, characteristic of the Cumberland Plain, and that the 7 Aboriginal objects should be reburied onsite at the conclusion of any approved works as part of the proposed development. Based on this assessment, Heritage NSW supports the recommendations of the ACHAR, and notes that that no further assessment of Aboriginal cultural heritage is required.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact Nicole Davis, Archaeologist, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Regulation - North, Heritage NSW, nicole.davis@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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