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Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
Attn: Sally Munk
Principal Planning Officer

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Dear Sally,

RE: SSD 9143 Goulburn Poultry Processing Mixed Use Development

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and accompanying documentation for the establishment of the Goulburn Poultry Processing Mixed Use Development, located at 52 Sinclair Street in the Goulburn Mulwaree Council Local Government Area. Murrumbidgee Local Health District makes the following submission for your consideration.

Murrumbidgee Local Health District has reviewed the EIS detailing the proposed development which includes the construction and operation of a poultry processing facility, cold storage and distribution centre, truck maintenance facility, live bird shed, site office and amenities, wastewater treatment plant and child care centre in two (2) stages. It is found that the EIS comprehensively addresses any potential public health issues, particularly in relation to human health, animal welfare and biosecurity, air quality and odour control, noise, waste management (including wastewater), and stormwater management.

The comments provided in this letter are contingent on confirmation by the NSW EPA that the methods employed to assess air quality and noise and vibration impacts are appropriate. If this was found not to be the case, our comments would need to be considered in light of the methodological issues identified by the NSW EPA.

Provided the proposed development complies with the recommendations of the Environmental Impact Statement, including the development of and adherence to comprehensive plans outlining appropriate monitoring, controls and mitigation measures including for example the Dust Management Plan, Operational Waste Management Plan (OWMP), and Water management Plan, this office would raise no objection to the proposed development.

While there is no objection to the proposal, the following clarification is sought:

1. The Stormwater Management Report outlines the following rainwater storage tanks to be installed:
 - a. 50KL to collect roof water from the cold store and corporate office
 - b. 35KL to collect roof water from the child care centre; and
 - c. 800KL to collect roof water from the process facility, live bird facility and products processing building.

While the beneficial re-use of rainwater is supported by NSW Health, where a reticulated public water supply is available, it is recommended that the public water supply is used for purposes including drinking and cooking because it is filtered, disinfected and generally fluoridated. Further information can be found in the "Rainwater Tanks Where a Public Water Supply is Available" located at: https://www1.health.nsw.gov.au/pds/ActivePDSDocuments/GL2007_009.pdf

In this regard, can the developer please confirm that the roof water will not be used for on-site drinking and cooking purposes (particularly the child care centre and staff amenities).

2. There are "air condensers" located on the site plans which are associated with the cold storage building. Can the developer please confirm that these air condensers are not regulated systems (cooling water systems) under the provisions of the *Public Health Act 2010*.

Should the development be approved, it is recommended that the following condition is placed on the Development Consent:

3. All employees should be vaccinated in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Immunisation Handbook – Vaccination of Persons at Occupational Risk (poultry, childhood education and care)

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on 0407 060 237 or email: Tabitha.Holliday@health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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