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Dear Mr Groundwater,

Subject: Sydney Metro Victoria Cross Over Station Development – Stage 1 – Modification 1 Amendments to Building Envelope (SSD-8874 Mod 1) (North Sydney)

Thank you for your e-mail dated 25 October 2019, inviting Environment, Energy and Science Group (EES) in the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to comment on Sydney Metro Victoria Cross Over Station Development (OSD) – Stage 1 – Modification 1 Amendments to Building Envelope (SSD-8874 Mod 1) (North Sydney).

As you are aware Planning and Assessment Group is the determining authority for this application and as stipulated in section 7.17 of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016, if the determining authority is not satisfied that the modification will not increase the impact on biodiversity values, then the applicant will need to submit a biodiversity development assessment report. Planning and Assessment Group needs to be satisfied that the proposed modification will not increase the impact on biodiversity values.

To assist, EES has reviewed the response prepared by Urbis dated October 2019 and that Urbis have concluded "*As demonstrated through this planning report, the proposed modifications to the OSD building envelope do not result in any significant impacts on the community and environment beyond which was originally considered.*"

Based on the information submitted EES has formed the view that the proposed modification is unlikely to increase the impact on biodiversity values.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Bronwyn Smith Senior Conservation Planning Officer on 9873 8604 or Bronwyn.smith@environment.nsw.gov.au

Your sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'S. Harrison' followed by the date '15/11/19'.

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