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Dear Brent

Alesco Senior College, Charlestown (SSD-10478) – Review of Environmental Impact Statement

I refer to your email dated 21 September 2020 in which Planning and Assessments Group (P&A) of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department) invited Biodiversity and Conservation Division (BCD) of the Department for advice in relation to the Alesco Senior College proposal, located at 29 Chapman Street (Lots 18, 19 and 20 in DP 23975), in Charlestown.

BCD has reviewed the '*Environmental Impact Statement – Change of Use – Educational Facility: 27 Chapman Street, Charlestown Lots 18, 19 & 20 in DP 23975*' (prepared by Avid Project Management Pty Ltd and dated 16 September 2020), including relevant appendices, annexures and attachments in relation to impacts on biodiversity and flooding.

A biodiversity development assessment report waiver was issued for the project on 14 August 2020 and no further biodiversity assessment is required. BCD is satisfied with the flooding and flood risk assessment in the EIS and no further flooding assessment is required.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Steve Lewer, Senior Regional Biodiversity Conservation Officer, on 4927 3158 or via email at rog.hcc@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Cox'.

16 October 2020

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Enclosure: Attachments A and B