

Emeritus Professor Mary O'Kane Chair Independent Planning Commission GPO Box 3415 Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Emeritus Professor O'Kane

Vickery Extension Project (SSD 7480)

On 6 September 2018, the Hon Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning requested the Independent Planning Commission to conduct a public hearing into the carrying out of the Vickery Extension Project.

The Vickery Extension Project and EIS is currently on public exhibition until 25 October 2018. Once the exhibition period ends, the Department will collate submissions and make them publicly available on the Department's website. It is expected that the submissions would be available by 2 November.

In accordance with the Minister's terms of reference for the project, the Commission is requested to hold a public hearing as soon as practicable after the public exhibition of the EIS and provide a report to the Department within 12 weeks of the submissions being published on the Department's website, unless the Planning Secretary agrees otherwise.

Following the close of the exhibition, the Department will also be preparing a Strategic Issues Report for the Commission's consideration and would be available to provide a briefing prior to the public hearing.

If you require any further information please contact Mike Young, A/ Executive Director, Resource Assessments & Business Systems, on 8217 2091.

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Secretary Planning Services

Attachment 1: Minister's Request for Public Hearing