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Dear Mr Green

SSD 6471 – SYDNEY MODERN (MOD 1) – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)

I am writing to you in reply to your invitation to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) to make a submission concerning the above modification application EIS.

The EPA requests that this submission be read in conjunction with its letters dated 15 December 2017 and 7 May 2018 in respect of the project EIS and Response to Submissions Report respectively.

The EPA emphasises that it does not review or endorse environmental management plans or the like for reasons of maintaining regulatory 'arm's length'. The EPA has not reviewed any environmental management plan forming part of or referred to in the modification application EIS.

The EPA further notes that the modification appears to be limited to abandoning the seawater heat exchange system proposed to serve the air conditioning plant, and reconfiguration of the mechanical ventilation system to include cooling towers. The EPA anticipates that noise emissions from operation of the redesigned mechanical ventilation/air conditioning system are likely to differ from those predicted to arise from operation the previous design. However, the EPA is satisfied that the cooling towers can be mitigated to not exceed the criteria and that the project can be designed to not exceed the rating background level + 5dBA.

Should you require clarification of any of the above please contact me on 9995 6212.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Sarah Thomson'.

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