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Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
By email at: Jessica.fountain@planning.nsw.gov.au

Attention: Jess Fountain

22 October 2019

Dear Ms Fountain

**Mixed used development at 42 Honeysuckle Drive Honeysuckle – SSD 10378
Request for Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements**

I refer to your email of 15 October 2019 seeking the Environment Protection Authority's (EPA) recommended Secretary's Environment Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for a mixed-use development of commercial, retail, hotel and accommodation at 42 Honeysuckle Drive, Newcastle, application reference SSD-10378.

Based on the information provided, the proposed development does not appear to require an environment protection licence under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* (POEO Act). As such, Newcastle Council is the appropriate regulatory authority for matters under the POEO Act in respect of the proposed development. I recommend that you contact council regarding its requirement for any environmental assessment.

In view of these factors, the EPA has no further interest in the proposal and no further consultation is required.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Jenny Lange on 4908 6891 or by email to hunter.region@epa.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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