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**Attention:** Andrew Reece

Dear Andrew,

RE: PROPOSED EXPANSION OF WASTE METAL RECOVERY, PROCESSING AND RECYCLING FACILITY - TATTERSALL ROAD, KINGS PARK, BLACKTOWN

Environmental Resources Management Australia (ERM) has been commissioned by Sell and Parker Pty Ltd (Sell and Parker) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the expansion of an existing waste metal recovery, processing and recycling facility located within the Kings Park Industrial Estate at 45 Tattersall Road, Bankstown. The expanded facility will also include the adjacent lot to the east, 23-43 Tattersall Road and encompass a total area of approximately 6.38 hectares (ha) (refer to *Figure 1.1, Annex A*).

Blacktown City Council approved a metal recycling facility, with a handling capacity of 30,000 tonnes per annum, on the central and southern (rear) part of 45 Tattersalll Road in November 1996. In 2001, the Land and Environment Court approved the establishment of a hammermill (also known as a fragmentiser or metal shredder) on the northern part of 45 Tattersall Road, together with associated components, with an approved handling capacity 60,000 tonnes per annum, giving the site a total capacity of 90,000 tonnes per annum. The designated development approved by the Land and Environment Court was the subject of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared in December 1999 by ERM. Both consents contain detailed conditions which govern the operation of the site.

The existing facility at 45 Tattersall Road is currently used by Sell and Parker as a waste metal resource recovery, processing and recycling facility involving the shearing, fragmenting and shredding of industrial scrap metal, demolition material and car bodies. Number 23-43 Tattersall Road is currently owned by Sell and Parker, but leased to Dexion, a manufacturer of pallet racking, industrial

and office storage equipment. This site contains a factory warehouse building with associated office, parking and landscaping areas. In order to meet projected future demands, approval is now being sought to expand the existing Sell and Parker site and increase in the handling capacity from 90,000 tonnes a year to 350,000 tonnes a year. This EIS will accompany a development application, which will be for State Significant Development pursuant to State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011.

### Section 8(1) of the SEPP specifies that:

- (1) Development is declared to be State significant development for the purposes of the Act if:
  - (a) the development on the land concerned is, by the operation of an environmental planning instrument, not permissible without development consent under Part 4 of the Act, and
  - (b) the development is specified in Schedule 1 or 2.

Clause 23(3) of Schedule 1 in the SEPP describes development for the purpose of resource recovery or recycling facilities that handle more than 100,000 tonnes a year of waste.

The proposed increase in waste metal recovery, processing and recycling from 90,000 tonnes to 350,000 tonnes a year, is development of a kind specified in Schedule 1 of the SEPP, and is therefore a development which is declared to be State Significant Development (SSD). The development has a capital investment value (CIV) of \$10 million.

The changes to the proposed development, compared to existing operations, mainly involve the reconfiguration and expansion of the site on to the adjoining allotment to improve site safety and efficiency, improve traffic flow and reduce off-site traffic.

In summary, the proposed development is as follows:

 the existing office at No 45 Tattersall Road will be demolished and relocated to improve safety and improve access to the shredder. The office functions will be relocated to the existing office situated at the front of the expanded site (No. 23-43 Tattersall Road) to isolate pedestrians from the operational activities on the site;

- car parking for staff and visitors will be increased and moved adjacent to the new office on the expanded site (No. 23-43 Tattersall Road) and isolated from the processing area of the facility;
- the pre-shedder will be relocated to where the shear is currently located on No. 45 and the shear will be relocated to the expanded site (No 23-43 Tattersall Road);
- the existing post shredder non ferrous recovery processing will be enclosed under roof to improve efficiency and reduce potential for noise and dust nuisance;
- parts of the existing building on No. 23-43 Tattersall Road will be demolished to make way for better vehicle circulation through the site;
- additional post shredder processing will be introduced to further extract remaining recyclables (metals and plastics) from Floc material. This will involve conveying the Floc via enclosed conveyor after shredding to inside one of the existing buildings on the expanded site (the Post Shredder Processing facility). The additional processing and storage of all Floc will be located inside and hence reduce potential for noise and dust nuisance;
- the non-ferrous shed and non-ferrous processing will be relocated inside the remaining buildings on the expanded site to improve efficiency and reduce potential for noise and dust nuisance;
- the existing maintenance shed will be demolished and relocated to inside the
  existing buildings on the expanded site. This will improve access to the
  shredder;
- the existing driveway entry at No 23 -43 Tattersall Road will be used for retail non-ferrous customers so that they are kept isolated from the processing area of the facility;
- the current Sell and Parker entry driveway at No. 45 Tattersall Road will be widened so that two lanes of traffic can enter side by side at any time with two weighbridges installed so two customers can be served at the one time;
- the current exit driveway at No 23-43 Tattersall Road will be widened and two weighbridges installed to handle more traffic volume;

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• the current Sell and Parker exit driveway at No 45 Tattersall Road will be

closed and excavated to provide additional finished goods storage;

• part of the existing sound barrier wall and some vegetation will be removed

between the two lots; and

a new truck wash facility will be installed within the existing building on the

enlarged site.

The NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DP&I) have issued Director General Requirements, including input from key agencies, for the proposed SSD. ERM will address these requirements as part of the preparation

of the EIS, which will accompany the SSD.

This letter intends to inform the NSW Environment Protection Authority of the proposed development and seeks comments related to it. Written submissions

can be made within 21 days of the date on this letter, and should be forwarded to Adam.Coburn@erm.com or Adam Coburn, ERM, Locked Bag 24, Broadway

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Yours sincerely,

for Environmental Resources Management Australia Pty Ltd

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## Annex A

# **FIGURE**























# Tattersall Road Waste Metal Recovery, Processing and Recycling Facility **Expansion**

# **Community Information Newsletter**

February 2014

#### Introduction

Environmental Resources Management Australia (ERM) is currently preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Sell and Parker Pty Ltd for the proposed expansion of their Tattersall Road Waste Metal Recovery, Processing and Recycling Facility.

The expanded facility will encompass the existing facility at 45 Tattersall Road, as well as the adjoining lot to the east, 23-43 Tattersall Road in Kings Park Industrial Estate, Blacktown, NSW. Number 23-43 Tattersall Road is currently occupied by Dexion who have previously announced that they will be ceasing manufacturing operations from this site in December 2014.

#### The Need for the Proposed Development

In order to meet projected future demands for waste metal recycling approval is being sought to expand the existing facility and increase in the approved handling capacity from 90,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) to 350,000 tpa.

The proposed expansion would enable Sell and Parker to utilise the available plant capacity in order to better respond to increasing demands, including community expectations for efficient an effective metal resource recovery and recycling facilities.

The development has a capital investment value of \$10 million and will result in the opportunity for the creation of approximately 20 additional jobs at the site with positive economic benefits for the wider community. The creation of additional jobs will assist in offsetting job losses associated with closure of the Dexion operations.

#### **The Proposed Development**

The changes to the proposed development, compared to existing operations mainly involves the reconfiguration and expansion of the site on to the adjoining allotment to improve site safety and efficiency, improve traffic flow, reduce off-site traffic and staging of traffic. The proposed development includes relocation of office buildings and car parking from 45 to 23-43 Tattersall Road, reconfiguration of pre-shredder and shear, introduction of additional post shredder processing capacity, reconfiguration of entry and exist driveways and installation of a new truck wash facility.

## **Development Classification**

The development is classified as State significant development pursuant to State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011.

### What is happening now?

ERM is currently preparing the EIS for the proposed expansion which will identify any environmental impacts that the proposed development may have. Detailed studies are being undertaken to support the EIS and include:

- Traffic Impact Assessment;
- Noise and Vibration Assessment;
- Air Quality Assessment;
- Hazard and Risk Assessment;
- Waste Management Assessment
- Greenhouse Gas Assessment; and Soil and Water Assessment.

# **Community Consultation**

Sell and Parker recognises the importance of community consultation and ensuring all stakeholders have access to information regarding the proposed expansion. This newsletter forms the initial community consultation for the development. Relevant Local, State and Federal Government Stakeholders have also been consulted. A community information session has been scheduled for Tuesday 18 February 2014 between 6pm and 7pm at a Sell and Parker office, located at 46 Tattersall Road (directly opposite the existing facility at 45 Tattersall Road).

Once the EIS and supporting studies are complete they will be submitted to NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure and then placed on public exhibition.

Comments regarding the proposed development can be forwarded to ERM's Project Manager:



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