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Attention:

Peter McManus

Dear Mr Gibson

Re Wagga Wagga Base Hospital Redevelopment Phases 2 and 3 (SSD 5237-2012)

I refer to your letter dated 8 April 2013 to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) seeking comments in relation to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the construction of a new eight storey acute hospital building in Wagga Wagga.

The EPA has briefly reviewed the proposed works detailed in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for phases 2 and 3 for the redevelopment. The proposed works are not scheduled works under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* and therefore do not require an environment protection licence from the EPA.

As the works are not scheduled, Wagga Wagga City Council will be the appropriate regulatory authority (ARA) under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* for these works.

Based on the information provided, we have no further comments to make on the proposal at this stage.

If you have any further enquiries about this matter please contact Chris Burton by telephoning 02 6022 0609.

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Yours sincerely

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