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Attention: Andrew Hartcher

Dear Andrew,

Walsh Bay Arts Precinct Stage 2 (SSD 7689)

Thank you for providing the Port Authority of NSW (Port Authority) with the opportunity to review and comment on SSD 7689 (Walsh Bay Arts Precinct).

As previously noted in our submission to the request for SEARs, Hickson Road is the main access route to the Overseas Passenger Terminal (OPT) for providing semi-trailer trucks and passenger coaches and is fundamental for on-going operations of the OPT. Cruise ships berth year round at the OPT with the numbers of ships increasing dramatically between October and March. The construction works associated with the Walsh Bay Arts Precinct will require effective construction planning and co-ordination to ensure minimal impacts to through traffic, particularly the 19m articulated trucks and the coaches associated with OPT operations. Depending on project timing, there is also a concern about potential cumulative construction traffic impacts on Hickson Road of the project with other construction works in the immediate area including the casino complex and other Barangaroo-related development and remediation projects, and Sydney Metro construction works at Barangaroo.

The Port Authority is also concerned about the proposed closure of Hickson Road for City Wide Events (Event Categories 1 and 2) as noted in Figures 4.1 and 4.2 of the Event Transport Management Plan. If any proposed road closure were to coincide with required delivery times to the OPT associated with cruise ship operations, it would need to be demonstrated that 19m articulated semi-trailer container trucks could utilise the suggested detours (Figure 4.3) and that the detours would not adversely impact the logistics and timing of the required OPT operational traffic.

The Port Authority therefore requests that coordination with the Port Authority be required for any proposed closures of Hickson Rd at the construction and operational stages of SSD 7689 to ensure that operational traffic access to the OPT is maintained.

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The Port Authority also notes that Harbour Master approval will be required under clause 67ZN of the *Ports and Maritime Administration Regulation 2012* prior to the disturbance of the seabed.

Please don't hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Ryan Bennett', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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