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Dear Sir/Madam.

Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment Stage 2 Main Building: Aboriginal heritage

We refer to plans for the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment Stage 2 Main Building. PwC has engaged RPS to consider the plans in relation to reports prepared for the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment in 2012 and 2014, and to confirm that the proposal would not affect Aboriginal heritage.

Aboriginal heritage assessments 2012 and 2014

In 2012, RPS prepared an Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment report and consulted with the Aboriginal community in relation to the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment. The report identified no Aboriginal cultural heritage within the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment project area and no Aboriginal cultural heritage value associated with the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment project area.

In 2014, RPS revisited the Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment due to amendments to the scope of the project within the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment project area. RPS prepared a due diligence report confirming that the new scope would not affect the recommendations of the 2012 report, and that the project would not affect Aboriginal heritage.

Stage 2 Main Building project

The Stage 2 expansion at the Blacktown Hospital campus comprises:

- Construction of a new nine storey Acute Services Building (ASB) (about 36,000 square metres), including the following critical services:
 - Emergency
 - Intensive Care Unit
 - Operating Suite
 - Sterile Supply
 - Birthing Suite
 - Newborn Care
 - Maternity and Women's Health Inpatient Units



- Paediatric Inpatient Unit
- New entry atrium to connect the existing hospital building and Stage 1 Clinical Services Building (CSB) to the new Stage 2 ASB. This will include a new patient drop off and forecourt area as the main entry point;
- Provision of new patient drop-off and ambulance bay at entry to Emergency Department;
- Bridge link and tunnel connections to existing building, Stage 1 CSB and Multi Story Car Park;
 and
- Provision of engineering services connected to the infrastructure completed under Stage 1
 Early Works Package (Road and Service Diversions).

The following engineering services will be provided within the ASB:

- Hydraulic services such as storm water, subsoil and roof drainage, sewer connections, water pumps, pipe work, fire hydrant and domestic cold water storage tanks and gas meters;
- Fire services such as sprinkler systems, isolation valves, pipe work, fire alarm monitoring network and alarm signalling equipment;
- Mechanical and medical gas services such as air handling, smoke management, pneumatic tube system, medical gas, medical breathing and oxygen services;
- Electrical services such as MSBs, building switchboards, distribution boards, generators, lighting, power, nurse call systems and new UPS; and
- New Endeavour Energy 3x 1500kVA transformer substation located south of the Stage 2 ASB.

The Stage 2 expansion also involves refurbishment to existing hospital areas (about 4,700 square metres), including:

- Conversion of the existing Emergency Department into Ambulatory Care;
- Refurbishment of the existing medical imaging;
- Refurbishment of the existing inpatient dialysis unit;
- Conversion of 50 per cent of the existing Operating Suite into an Endoscopy Procedure Suite; and
- Refurbishment of pathology into an administration unit.

An image of the proposed façade of the main hospital building is included at Appendix 1 below.

Impact assessment and recommendations

On 27 April 2016, RPS updated the search of the Aboriginal Heritage Information System (AHIMS). The search identified three Aboriginal objects within one kilometre of the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment project area. The search identified no Aboriginal objects within the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment project area.



With consideration of the plans for the Blacktown Hospital Redevelopment Stage 2 Main Building, RPS recommends that project would not affect Aboriginal heritage. The conclusions and recommendations of the 2012 and 2014 reports are relevant to the Main Building project.

Yours sincerely

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Appendix 1

Proposed Main Building Façade

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