

28 September 2016

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Attention: Andy Nixey

Dear Andy,

Request for SEARs - Barangaroo Stage 1B Public Domain Works (SSD 7944)

Thank you for providing the Port Authority of NSW with the opportunity to review and provide any key issues and assessment requirements for the SEARs for the above-referenced proposal.

The Port Authority of NSW has reviewed the proposal, the draft SEARs as well as additional information recently provided directly to us via Royal HaskoningDHV. The Port Authority has concerns regarding the potential impact of the proposal on navigation and shipping operations within Darling Harbour including the use of the turning basin in Darling Harbour for cruise ships, bulk carriers and other ships approaching Glebe Island and White Bay. This will need to be thoroughly reviewed with the potential of amendments to the design and/or positioning needing to be considered.

The Port Authority therefore requests the following in relation to the SEARs:

Requirement 11 (Maritime Navigation) be amended to specifically require consideration of impacts and a formal risk assessment on the navigation of cruise ships, bulk carriers and other commercial vessels, to the requirements of the Port Authority of NSW, in order to ensure that the proposal will not adversely impact on the navigation and safety of these vessels.

Please don't hesitate to contact me or Jeanine Drummond, General Manager, Operations and Deputy Harbour Master (<u>jmdrummond@portauthoritynsw.com.au</u>; 9296-4823) for more information.

Yours sincerely.

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