

Alexis Cella Ethos Urban 173 Sussex Street Sydney NSW 2000 File: 18/381838

CSWSMP-MAC-SMA-SU-REP-000120

12 June 2018

Dear Mr Cella

I refer to your correspondence received on 18 May 2018, seeking to waive the need for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) for the State Significant Development (SSD) application for the Amending Stage 1 Concept Proposal (south site building envelope) for the Martin Place Over Station Development (SSD 9347).

Under section 7.9(2) of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BC Act):

"Any such application is to be accompanied by a biodiversity development assessment report unless the Planning Agency Head and the Environment Agency Head determine that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values."

The authority of the "Planning Agency Head" to determine whether a proposed development is "not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values" has been delegated to Directors within the Planning Services Division on 21 December 2017.

I have reviewed your request having regard to Sections 1.5 and 7.3 of the BC Act and clause 1.4 of the *Biodiversity Conservation Regulation 2017*, and agree that there is no need to submit a BDAR as part of the SSD application. Therefore, a waiver under section 7.9(2) of the BC Act is granted for the proposed SSD 9347.

The delegated *Environment Agency Head* in the Office of Environment and Heritage has also granted a waiver in a letter dated 6 June 2018 and a copy of that letter is attached.

This waiver is issued in respect of the proposed development detailed in a request for Secretary's environmental assessment requirements dated 15 May 2018. Amendments to the development may require a further waiver to be sought and issued.

Should you have any further enquiries, please contact Liza Miller, Planning Services, at the Department on (02) 8289 6787.

Surs Sincerely

Ben Lusher

Director

Key Sites Assessments

(as nominee of the Secretary)