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Dear Ms Mannix

Response to Submissions – Alterations and additions to Australian Museum - 1 William Street, Sydney – SSD 9452

Thank you for your email of 22 January 2018 requesting comments from Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) on the Response to Submissions (RTS) for the above State Significant Development. OEH has reviewed the RTS and Advice on Potential Aboriginal Archaeological Impacts prepared by Coast History and Heritage (letter dated 18 January 2019).

The RTS clarifies that the revised plans do not propose 'ground disturbance' (page 7). The Coast History and Heritage letter further clarifies the proposal will only result in minor impacts below current basement levels all within the existing Still Addition building footprint. It confirms the proposal is only extending previous excavation from the construction of the Still Addition building further into bedrock. OEH therefore does not require an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) to be provided for this SSD.

Please note, to avoid delays in the assessment process it is critical that OEH is provided with such information upfront to enable OEH to provide informed Aboriginal cultural heritage advice. A separate response may be provided on heritage matters by the Heritage Division of OEH as delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Janne Grose on 8837 6017 or janne.grose@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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