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> David Gibson Social Infrastructure Assessments Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Mr Gibson,

UNSW Building D14 – Kensington Campus - (SSD9606) – request for determination under Section 7.9(2) of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016

The Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) has reviewed the request from Ethos Urban to waive the need for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) to be submitted with the State Significant Development – SSD 9606 application.

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

'Any such application [SSD] 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 power to determine whether an SSD is "not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values", has been delegated to the OEH Senior Executive on 4 December 2017.

I have reviewed the application of the test of significance under section 7.3 of the BC Act, that was prepared by UBM Ecological Consultants (dated 11 April 2018 and additional information received 19 November 2018), and agree that there is no need for the SSD application to submit a BDAR as part of the application. Therefore, a waiver under s7.9 is granted for the UNSW Building D14 Kensington Campus SSD 9606 project.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact Susan Harrison, Senior Team Leader Planning on 9995 6864 or by email at susan.harrison@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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