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Dear Ms Dickson

SSD-10384: State Significant Development (SSD) Application for the restoration and refurbishment of the existing Sirius building at 2–60 Cumberland Street, The Rocks

The National Trust is pleased to see the proposed retention of the Sirius building's original structure in the proposed "restoration and refurbishment" of the Sirius building. Such inventive proposals for re-use can be supported in heritage as well as environmental terms.

The National Trust listed the Sirius building on the National Trust Register as the Sirius Apartments in May, 2014 and on 7 October, 2014 the National Trust completed and submitted a nomination to the NSW Heritage Council for the listing of the "Sirius Apartments" on the State Heritage Register. Despite the ultimate decision not to list the building, the Trust continued to advocate for the retention of the Sirius building and gave support for the building to be adaptively reused.

The National Trust welcomes the activation of Cumberland Street and the improved connectivity with public access to a through site link from Cumberland Street to Gloucester Walk as proposed in the SSD.

With regards to the interiors of the building, the National Trust supports the retention of significant original internal fixtures and fittings in the common areas, such as the Phillip Room.

The National Trust looks forward to a long future for the Sirius building.

Kind regards,



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