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Your reference: MP10 0204Mod1 DOC12/48996; FIL07/12980 Richard Bath, 4908 6805

Ms Heather Warton Director, Metropolitan and Regional Projects, North Department of Planning and Infrastructure GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Steve Czeref

Dear Ms Warton

RE: EXHIBITION OF MODIFICATION FOR CATHERINE HILL BAY SUBDIVISION (MP10_0204 MOD 1)

I refer to your letter dated 21 November 2012 seeking advice and recommended conditions of approval for the proposed modification of the above development. The Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) has previously provided advice on the project application including a letter dated 8 February 2011 (Document Reference: 10-57014).

OEH has reviewed the environmental matters of key interest, and provides the following advice:

OEH is supportive of the current development controls which prohibit the keeping of cats and dogs. This is specified in Section 4.6.2 of the adopted 'Catherine Hill Bay (South) Development Control Plan' (Department of Planning and Infrastructure, July 2012). Due to the potential impacts on biodiversity and the added management and compliance burden posed by un-controlled cats and dogs on the adjacent Munmorah State Conservation Area, OEH does not support the proposed modification.

OEH has no other concerns regarding the proposed modifications of major project approval MP10 0204.

If you have any enquiries concerning this advice, please contact me on 4908 6805.

Yours sincerely

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