

APPENDIX C

Copy of letters from Australian Government Department of
Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and
Communities dated 11 April 2013



Mr Steve Mitchell
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Dear Mr Mitchell

**Decision on referral, NSW
Westfield Parramatta Development – Stage 2, Parramatta, NSW**

Thank you for submitting a referral under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). This is to advise you of my decision about the proposed action to undertake Stage 2 of alterations and additions to the Westfield Parramatta Complex including the construction of a high-rise commercial office building on the south-western corner of Argyle and Church Streets and activation of the Argyle Street facade at ground level, Parramatta CBD, NSW.

As a delegate of the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, I have decided that the proposed action is not a controlled action. This means that the proposed action does not require further assessment and approval under the EPBC Act before it can proceed.

A copy of the document recording this decision is enclosed. This document will be published on the department's website.

Please note that this decision relates only to the specific matters protected under Chapter 2 of the EPBC Act.

This decision does not affect any requirement for separate state or local government environment assessment and approvals of the proposed action.

The department has an active audit program for proposals that have been referred under the EPBC Act. The audit program aims to ensure that proposals are implemented as planned. Please note that your project may be selected for audit by the department at any time and all related records and documents may be subject to scrutiny. Information about the department's compliance monitoring and auditing program is enclosed.

As you may be aware, the department, in partnership with the NSW Government and Parramatta City Council, recently commissioned a report titled, 'Development in Parramatta City and the Impact on Old Government House and Domain's World and National Heritage Listed Values: Technical Report'. This report particularly focuses on visual impacts by identifying and mapping significant views and settings associated with the place to determine a 'highly sensitive area' where development is likely to have a significant impact on its heritage values. The report is available on the department's website at: www.environment.gov.au/heritage/publications.

The Technical Report also includes 'future development character guidelines' for central Parramatta which is divided into precincts: the Westfield redevelopment action is located in Precinct 2, City Central. These guidelines provide guidance on the nature and form of development that is desirable to further reduce impacts on the World and National Heritage

values of Old Government House and Domain. This information may be useful in considering the design of Stage 2 of the project, for example, the form of the tower and introducing upper level setbacks.

If you have any questions about the referral process or this decision, please contact the project manager, Mr Mark Jenkins, by email to mark.jenkins@environment.gov.au, or telephone 02 6274 1558 and quote the EPBC reference number shown at the beginning of this letter.

Yours sincerely



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Dear Mr Mitchell

**Decision on referral, NSW
Westfield Parramatta Development – Stage 1, Parramatta, NSW**

Thank you for submitting a referral under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). This is to advise you of my decision about the proposed action to undertake Stage 1 of alterations and additions to the Westfield Parramatta Complex including the construction of Retail Level 6 and associated car parks at the existing building, Parramatta CBD, NSW.

As a delegate of the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, I have decided that the proposed action is not a controlled action. This means that the proposed action does not require further assessment and approval under the EPBC Act before it can proceed.

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