

1 April 2010

Michael Woodland
Director Urban Assessments
Department of Planning
23-33 Bridget Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Michael

ROYAL NEWCASTLE HOSPITAL CONCEPT PLAN - REQUEST FOR S75W MODIFICATION

We refer to our recent meetings with you and our client, Mirvac, regarding the redevelopment of Royal Newcastle Hospital.

The purpose of this letter is to request the Minister (or his delegate) modify the approval for the Royal Newcastle Concept Plan (MP 05_0062) under Section 75W of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. The attached preliminary environmental assessment prepared by JBA Urban Planning Consultants (dated April 2010) provides detail on the site location and an outline of the project, and identifies the key likely environmental and planning issues associated with the proposal, which we intend to address in the Environmental Assessment Report for the Modification.

The proposed modifications are:

- generally consistent with the intent of the existing approval;
- achieve a more appropriate urban design outcome; and
- increase the provision of public domain.

A completed application form, and three (3) hard copies and one (1) soft copy of the preliminary environmental assessment (including supporting information) are attached for your reference.

We trust that the above and enclosed Preliminary Assessment is sufficient to enable the Director General to confirm the validity of the previous environmental assessment requirements, and progress the application to modify the approved Royal Newcastle Hospital Concept Plan.

Should you have any queries about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 9409 4957 or sballango@jbaplanning.com.au.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ballango'.

Stephanie Ballango
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Cc: Nicole Vince – Development Manager, Acquisitions Mirvac