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Mr Sam Haddad Director-General Department of Planning GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001 - 9 MAR 2009 Director-General

Dear Mr Haddad,

Request for Opinion under Clause 6 of Major Projects SEPP Bakehouse Quarter, North Strathfield

In accordance with Section 75B of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and Clause 6 of State Environmental Planning Policy (Major Projects) 2005, we seek your opinion that a proposed mixed-use development at the Bakehouse Quarter is a project to which Part 3A of the Act applies.

The attached report provides a detailed description of the proposal and a comprehensive assessment of the proposed development in accordance with the provisions of the Major Projects SEPP. In summary, the report concludes that the project has significant planning merit and is appropriately classified as a Major Project having regard to its employment potential. As such, it is formally requested that the Minister:

- Declare, under the provisions of Clause 6 of the Major Projects SEPP, that the proposed development is a type of development to which the provisions of Part 3A applies.
- Authorise, under the provisions of Clause 75M of the Environmental Planning and Assessment 1979, that a Concept Plan may be prepared for the project.

I trust that the information provided in the attached report is sufficient to enable you to declare this project as a Major Project under Part 3A.

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me on 02 8233 9931.

Yours sincerely,

Jennifer Cooper Associate Director

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