

Contact: David Mutton Phone: (02) 9228 6371 Fax: (02) 9228 6366

Email: david.mutton@planning.nsw.gov.au

Our ref: 06\_0183 File: \$06/00095

Sarah Kelly Director SAKE Development Suite 11 340 Darling Street BALMAIN NSW 2041

Dear Ms Kelly,

## RE: MP No. 06\_0183 – SALAMANDER SHORES HOTEL, 147 SOLDIERS POINT ROAD, SOLDIERS POINT - ADVICE TO LODGE MAJOR PROJECT APPLICATION

I refer to your letter dated 3 July 2006 in which you requested confirmation that your proposal is a Major Project under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* (the *Act*).

I am writing to advise that the Director-General, as a delegate of the Minister, formed the opinion on 14 September 2006 that your proposal is a Project and that Part 3A of the *Act* applies. Consequently, you may now apply for the approval of the Minister to carry out this Project.

In seeking the Minister's approval, Section 75E of the *Act* requires the lodgement of an application for the Project with the Director-General. The application must include a completed Application Form, a Preliminary Assessment and an initial application fee of \$1,000.00. I have enclosed the appropriate form and a Schedule that identifies the information which must be addressed in the Preliminary Assessment.

You have indicated that you would submit a Concept Plan for this Project. The Minister will consider your request and you will be advised in due course. Please ensure that your application clearly states your intention to submit a Concept Plan and the Preliminary Assessment addresses the scope and level of assessment required and all the information concerning Concept Plans in the attached Schedule.

On receipt of the application and Preliminary Assessment, the Department will consult with relevant public agencies. On completion of the consultation, you will be notified of the Director-General's Environmental Assessment Requirements (DGRs). You will be advised should it be necessary to hold a Planning Focus Meeting prior to finalisation of the DGRs.

On the basis of the information available, the Department considers that opportunities for development of this site will need to be carefully formulated particularly to have regard for the objectives for development in the Coastal zone. You should consider these matters carefully.

I suggest it would be appropriate to meet to discuss these matters before proceeding further. Please contact David Mutton, Team Leader, Coastal Assessments on 02 9228 6371 or via e-mail david.mutton@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Heather Warton
Director
Urban Assessments

Office of Sustainable Development Assessment and Approvals 23-33 Bridge Street Sydney NSW 2000 GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001 Telephone (02) 9228 6111 Facsimile (02) 9228 6191 DX 10181 Sydney Stock Exchange Website