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Attention: Mr Ben Eveleigh

Dear Mr Cavallo,



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MAJOR PROJECT – RIVERWOOD NORTH ESTATE RESIDENTIAL RENEWAL PROJECT (MP10 0167)

I refer to the Department's letter dated 25 November 2010 seeking comments on the publicly exhibited Concept Plan for the above project. Transport NSW (TNSW) appreciates this opportunity to provide input to the environmental assessment of this application.

TNSW has reviewed the Environmental Assessment report and the Traffic and Parking Assessment Report. TNSW is supportive of a number of positive initiatives identified for the proposed development including:

- Commitment to the provision of end of trip facilities for cyclists:
- Provision of minimal car parking spaces for the community housing component of the proposed development:
- Improved pedestrian and cycle connections between the subject site and existing pedestrian and cycleways; and
- Recommendation to provide Travel Demand Management measures such as Travel Access Guides.

TNSW is concerned, however, that the proponent has not demonstrated a commitment to minimal car parking for the private residential component of the proposed development. The proposed parking rates are in excess of the requirements outlined in the City of Canterbury (Council's) Development Control Plan No. 20 and the site is within close proximity to good public transport services. It is recommended that parking rates be provided in accordance with the rates identified in Council's DCP No. 20.

Further, discussions in the Traffic and Parking Assessment Report on a proposed package of measures to ensure appropriate public transport mode share require further clarification. A commitment from the proponent to a

package of measures for implementation upon project approval is requested. At the concept plan stage TNSW requests that as a minimum, the following measures be identified:

- a. The quantum and general location of car share spaces for the precinct. Car sharing spaces should be located in convenient, priority locations and potentially provided for employees at a discounted rate;
- b. The location of bicycle parking for residents, employees and visitors to the site. All visitor bicycle parking should be located in well lit and sheltered locations close to building entrances. Facilities for cyclists should be provided, as a minimum, according to the design principles specified within the NSW *Planning Guidelines for Walking and Cycling*;
- c. Bicycle routes providing access to and through the subject site; and
- d. Commitment to the preparation of Travel Access Guide (TAG) for residents and visitors to the site. Information on the preparation of TAGs is available at www.rta.nsw.gov.au.

I trust that these comments are of assistance. If you require further discussion on this matter, please contact Ben Colmer, Transport Planner, on 8202 2351 or email ben.colmer@transport.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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