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Attention: Mark Brown

Dear Mr Brown

## MP10\_0229 – Concept Plan – Cronulla Sharks Development – 461 Captain Cook Drive, Woolooware – Environmental Assessment - Groundwater

Reference is made to the NSW Office of Water (Office of Water) submission of 21 November 2011 on the Environmental Assessment (EA) in relation to the riparian issues for the above project proposal. The Office of Water advised that it would also provide a submission in relation to groundwater and accordingly the following comments are provided:

The EA acknowledges that the project will not include basement car parking (see Sections 3.7 and 7.14). In accordance with Section 8 - Draft Statement of Commitments the Office of Water understands that "groundwater shall not be extracted for use in the development". However, the last paragraph on page 107 of the EA states "the EIS review recommended that groundwater be extracted for use on the site". Clarification is required sought as it is understood that groundwater is not to be extracted for use in this development.

Should you require further information in this matter, please contact Janne Grose on (02) 4729 8262 at the Penrith office.

Yours sincerely

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