



21 March 2025

Jessie Evans
Director - Resource Assessments
Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure

via email: [REDACTED]

Dear Jessie,

**Springvale Water Treatment Facility (SSD-7592 MOD 11)
Supplementary Questions on Notice**

I refer to the State significant development application for the Springvale Water Treatment Facility (SSD-7592 MOD 11) (**Application**), currently before the Independent Planning Commission (**Commission**) for determination.

With reference to my request to you dated 20 March 2025, the Commission is seeking supplementary information from the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (**Department**) on the following matters:

To assist the Panel in understanding the adequacy of water management controls under SSD-7592 *as currently modified*, can the Department please confirm whether:

- 1) SSD-7592 currently authorises any mine water discharges (whether treated, untreated or partially treated) to the Sydney Drinking Water Catchment (including to the Thompsons Creek Reservoir) - i.e. is the Springvale Water Treatment Facility currently required to be a nil discharge water management system?
- 2) If the answer to Q1 is that any discharges to the Sydney Drinking Water Catchment are authorised, please provide a table setting out any controls that currently apply to those discharges under SSD-7592.

In order to respond to the queries above, please consult as necessary with the Applicant and any relevant government agencies. The Commission requests that the Department provide a response by **5pm on Monday, 24 March 2025**.

Should you require any clarification in relation to the above, or wish to discuss further, please contact Callum Firth at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Barry
Planning Director