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Dear Mr Caprarelli

St John of God Hospital Redevelopment, Richmond – SSD 10394 Second Independent Environmental Audit

I refer to the second Independent Environmental Audit (**IEA**) report and Response to Audit Recommendations (**RAR**) for the St John of God Richmond Hospital Redevelopment (**project**), submitted as required by Schedule 2, Conditions D35, D37 and D38 of SSD 10394 (**consent**) to the Department of Planning and Environment (**department**) on 20 June 2023.

The department considers the IEA report to generally satisfy the reporting requirements of the consent and the *Independent Audit Post Approval Requirements* (department 2020). Please note that acceptance of this report is not an endorsement of the compliance status of the project.

The two non-compliances identified in the IEA (NC-01 with Condition A2, and NC-02 with Condition A35) relate to the project's previous non-compliance with Condition C21, as identified in the first IEA report, which remains under investigation with separate correspondence to be issued in future. Accordingly, the department makes no further comments in relation to NC-01 and NC-02 at this time.

The department also notes the participation in the IEA by Sanan Qasim, who is not an approved auditor. Condition D34 of the consent requires all proposed independent auditors be agreed in writing prior to the commencement of an IEA, and this includes where a new auditor, junior auditor, or other team member is proposed that differs from any existing audit team approval. Please ensure all future IEAs only include participation from team members who are approved, or if new/alternate members are proposed, seek the Secretary's revision of the approved team prior to the commencement of the IEA.

Please include a status update for all actions provided in the IEA report and RAR, including the identified opportunity for improvement with Condition C12, in the next IEA report until all actions are completed.

Pursuant to Condition D37(c) of the consent, please ensure that copies of the IEA report and RAR are publicly available on the project's website.

Should you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Samuel Condon, Senior Compliance Officer, on (02) 8275 1169 or email compliance@planning.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely



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