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Dear [REDACTED]

WestConnex New M5 (SSI 6788) – Heritage Council comments Conservation Management Documents for the Rudders Bond Store

Thank you for preparing a Preliminary Conservation Strategy, Archival Recording, Heritage Interpretation Strategy and Comparative Analysis for the Rudders Bond Store at 53-57 Campbells Road, St Peters. I understand that these documents have been prepared in accordance with the Mitigation Measures in the Construction Heritage Sub Plan and condition D34 of the development consent for the Westconnex New M5 Project (SSI 6788), approved by the Department of Planning on 20 April 2016.

Thank you for preparing such a comprehensive suite of conservation management documents to clarify the heritage significance of Rudders Bond Stores, and early consideration of appropriate ways to minimise the impacts of its approved demolition.

The Preliminary Conservation Strategy for Rudders Bond Store provides conservation approaches for the salvage works and explains that individual elements for salvage will be assessed and identified during the works, by appropriate experts. I support this approach and agree that it is appropriate to identify the salvage elements during the works rather than prior to commencement.

It is therefore recommended that the salvage occurs during the demolition works, under the direction of appropriate experts including materials engineers and conservators, structural engineers and heritage specialists. A final salvage methodology, including a schedule of salvaged elements, should also be prepared and sent to the Heritage Council for information within 1 month following the completion of demolition. Please advise us when demolition is scheduled to be completed.

The City of Sydney should also be consulted as a key stakeholder in the salvage and interpretation of the Rudders Bond Store, which is a heritage item on the City of Sydney LEP 2012.

The Heritage Interpretation Strategy recommends Sydney Park as a potential site for an interpretative installation of the Bond Stores. I strongly support this option and recommend that you consult with the City of Sydney to explore options for Interpretation at Sydney Park.

As delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW, I am satisfied with the conservation management documents provided for the Rudders Bond Store at 53-57 Campbells Road, St Peters, including the Preliminary Conservation Strategy, Archival Recording, Heritage Interpretation Strategy and Comparative Analysis, and welcome ongoing consultation throughout the subsequent phases of this project.

Should you have any queries, please contact Nina Pollock, Senior Heritage Assessment Officer at the Heritage Division on (02) 9873 8520 or nina.pollock@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rajeev Maini', with a horizontal line underneath.

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As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW
19 September 2016