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Dear Bianca,

RE: Request for Additional Information SSD 9418

I make reference to correspondence received from DPE Water dated 28 June 2022 regarding a request for additional information for SSD 9418 currently under assessment. The application is seeking approval for the expansion of an existing composting facility from 76,000tpa to 200,000tpa at Ravensworth, NSW.

This letter seeks to respond to matters raised by DPE Water in relation to the subject application.

Information Requested by DPE Water

Space Urban provides the following response in relation to DPE Water's comment.

Comment

Under the Water Management Act 2000 the take of water stored in Void 4 is a licensable requirement and is to be accounted for against a water access license (WAL). Therefore, it is recommended that:

- *The proponent identifies the WAL to which the estimated take of 125 ML/year water is to be accounted against.*

Response

All water reporting to Void 4 is wastewater that is reclaimed from an adjoining tailings emplacement and from decommissioned ash dams, therefore there is no licensable water take from Void 4 at this point in time.

Notwithstanding the above, the expanded composting facility will continue to operate within a closed water management system, whereby leachate water from the composting pad is captured and reused from an expanded onsite leachate dam and make up water will be sourced from a 300,000 litre onsite storage tank that receives recycled water direct from the Bayswater Power Station.

Previously in the EIS it was stated (refer Section 3.3.2, Page 50) that make up water would be sourced directly from Void 4, however since lodgement of the EIS the water supply system onsite has been revised and this water will now be supplied direct from the 300,000 litre onsite recycled water tank.

The only time water may be sourced directly from Void 4 would be during a fire emergency when fire appliances require direct access to additional water supply.



We trust this response resolves the outstanding issue, however, should you require any further clarification or information please contact the undersigned on 0419 715 665 or smithsk@spaceurban.com.au.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Smith", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

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CC: DPE Water