

Our ref: Project Echidna Data Centre Eastern Creek (SSD-47320208)

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**Subject:** Request for response to submissions received during the exhibition period

Dear Mr Medina

The exhibition of the development application and environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Project Echidna Data Centre at Eastern Creek (SSD-47320208) ended on 05 July 2023.

All submissions received by the Department of Planning and Environment (the Department) during the exhibition period are now available on the NSW Major Projects portal at <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/project-echidna-data-centre-eastern-creek>.

The Department requests a written response to issues raised in the submissions, as required under section 59(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 (the Regulation). The written response must be in the form of a submissions report that has been prepared having regard to the *State Significant Development Guidelines including Appendix C – Preparing a Submissions Report*.

We also require a response to the issues raised by agencies in their advice. At the time of writing, the Department has not yet received a response from NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), however it is in the process of following up a response. Any advice received will be provided upon receipt.

In addition, the Department will also be providing comments that you will be required to address in your submissions report. These comments will be provided under separate cover shortly.

Your submissions report should be provided within two months of the date of this letter. Please lodge your response by progressing the application via the Major Projects dashboard.

Note that the time between the date of this letter and the date the Planning Secretary receives your response is not included in the 'assessment period' under section 94(1) of the Regulation.

If you have any questions, please contact Shaun Williams, on (02) 8275 1345 or via email at [shaun.williams@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:shaun.williams@planning.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,



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