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To whom it may concern,

JCDecaux Australia

Level 6, 1 York Street Sydney NSW 2000

TREE IMPACT STATEMENT: Cleveland St & Regent St, Surry Hills, NSW

This statement has been commissioned by JCDecaux Australia to provide comment on the likely impacts on vegetation located at the Cleveland Street and Regent Street Intersection by the installation of a new digital signboard. The following documents were cited in preparation of this statement:

 Proposed Digital Sign – General Arrangement & Site Plan, Job No. 21246. Dwg No. DA01 Revision E, by Dennis Bunt Consulting Engineers dated 17 January 2023.

The vegetation within the garden bed in front of the proposed sign consists mainly of *Yucca sp*, Bismarck Palms (*Bismarckia nobilis*) and other small growing shrubs. The Yucca's and majority of the Bismarck palms are positioned away from the proposed sign and will not be affected by its installation or block the sight lines to the sign in any significant way in the future.

A single Bismarck palm however is positioned underneath the proposed sign, and although it will not be impacted by its installation, it may in the future require pruning or removal in order to prevent it from impeding the view to the sign. Currently it is less than 1m tall (from ground to meristem), and although slow growing, it is reported to grow to over fifteen meters. See photos of the site attached below.

The remaining vegetation within the TAHE land to the East of the proposed sign is identified as self-seeded Hackberry (*Celtis sp.*), which is unlikely to impact the proposed sign, but may also be pruned or removed without approval from the City of Sydney Council as it is listed as an exempt species (where under 10m tall).

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For further information regarding the subject trees, please contact Naturally Trees.

Yours sincerely

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PHOTO LOG:



Photo 1: Showing current vegetation within TAHE land.



Photo 2: Showing current vegetation within TAHE land.

