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Dear Mr McNamara

I refer to your letter of 2 February 2011 requesting the Department to grant an extension to finalise the planning proposal for Strathfield Triangle from a 6 month completion timeframe to 12 months.

The planning proposal amends the Canada Bay Local Environmental Plan 2008 by updating the planning controls for Strathfield Triangle including the introduction of new development standards, deletion of heritage items and identification of land for acquisition. I understand that Council had extended the public exhibition period from 28 days to almost four months which will not allow Council to meet its six (6) month timeframe to finalise the planning proposal.

I have carefully considered your request for a six (6) month extension to finalise the amending LEP and have decided to grant you a 3 month extension. This extension will give Council sufficient time to finalise the amending LEP given that the exhibition period has now ended.

Please be advised that with the exception of the completion timeframe which has now been extended to 7 July 2011, the original conditions attached to the Gateway Decision need to be met. A reminder that you will be required to request the Department to draft and finalise the LEP six (6) weeks prior to the projected publication date of 7 July 2011.

I understand that Council has received a submission on the planning proposal which proposed controls that significantly depart from the amending LEP controls exhibited by Council. Should Council wish to support the controls proposed in the submission, consideration should be given to initiating a new planning proposal.

Should you have any queries in regard to this matter, please contact Danijela Karac-Cooke of the Regional Office on the Department on 9228 6207.

Yours sincerely


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Director-General

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