

Mr Craig Swift-McNair General Manager Port Macquarie Hastings Council PO Box 84 PORT MACQUARIE NSW 2444 Our ref: 14/18221 Your ref: PP2011.05.01

Attention: Steve Schwartz

Dear Mr Swift-McNair

Port Macquarie-Hastings Local Environmental Plan 2011 (Amendment No 31)

I refer to Council's correspondence dated 28 October 2014 requesting the Secretary's agreement to the planning proposal's inconsistency with S117 Direction 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Protection. The planning proposal seeks to undertake various zoning, floor space and building height amendments to Port Macquarie LEP 2011 to promote urban consolidation in the Port Macquarie town centre fringe area.

I am pleased to advise that as the Secretary's delegate, I have agreed to the planning proposal's inconsistency with S117 Direction 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Protection. No further approval is required in relation to this Direction.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, I have arranged for Craig Diss, of the Department's Northern Regional Office to assist you. Mr Diss can be contacted on telephone number (02) 6701 9685.

Yours sincerely

30 October 2014

Stephen Murray General Manager, Northern Region Planning Services