File No: 425NTHII/00039 11/297 Your reference: DK/sw/DA0331/2011 Mr Gregory Sciffer

The General Manager Tamworth Regional Council PO Box 555 TAMWORTH NSW 2340

## Tamworth Regional Council. DA0331/2011. Baiada Poultry Processing. Out Street Tamworth.

Dear Sir

I refer to your letter 14 February and email 15 March 2011 to the Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) concerning the proposed development.

The RTA would have no objection to the proposed development and the extension of the existing median on Bridge Street. The following comments are provided for your consideration in determining the application:

- i. The traffic study has not fully assessed all the impacts on the junction of Bridge Street and Out Street. This should have included provisions for southbound right-turning traffic on Bridge Street.
- ii. Consideration needs to be given to the safe management of pedestrian access across the local roads to the complex.
- iii. The existing servicing arrangements require articulated vehicles to reverse and park on public roads. This creates a number of regulatory and safety problems. Attached are photos of these activities. These activities should be managed by a Traffic Management Plan (TMP).
- iv. There appears to be numerous issues relating to the use, access, safety and long term availability of parking on the ARTC land. This needs clarification.
- v. The community should be consulted regarding the proposed raised median on Bridge Street.
- vi. Consideration should be given to including a facility to protect northbound right-turning traffic at Bridge and King Streets.
- vii. The RTA's approval is only required for the detailed design plans for any proposed road works on the highway.

To fulfill legislative, construction and environmental requirements the RTA will require the applicant to enter into a Works Authorisation Deed (WAD) to carry out any road construction that might be required on Bridge Street.

Prior to any construction activities, a number of prescribed requirements and conditions will need to be undertaken, including the process for geometric and pavement design approval, project management arrangements, insurances, OH&S and environmental management during construction, construction specifications and the process for approval of road occupancies. All works will need to be undertaken by an RTA approved Contractor and be at no cost to the RTA. The RTA will require payment of costs for the administration of the WAD.

The RTA would recommend that the any identified road works should be included in the initial environmental assessment to make sure that they can be undertaken and to reduce the need to carry out a further assessment for the WAD.

The proposed development is not integrated because Council is both the road and consent authority for the application. Your cheque for \$250 is returned.

For any further enquiries please contact Mr Greg Sciffer (Ph: 02 66401344) or by email at land\_use\_northern@rta.nsw.gov.au for advice.

Yours faithfully

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David Bell Regional Manager, Northern Region

## Koppers, David

To: Koppers, David

Subject: FW: DA0331/2011 - Baiada Revised Out Street intersection proposal

From: SCIFFER Greg [mailto:Greg\_SCIFFER@rta.nsw.gov.au] Sent: Wednesday, 27 April 2011 11:02 AM To: Koppers, David Cc: Land Use Northern; ORVAD Terry P Subject: RE: DA0331/2011 - Baiada Revised Out Street intersection proposal

## David

The RTA does not have an objection "in principle" to Council's revised concept for the junction of Bridge Street and Out Street. The following comments will need to be considered in determining the development application and detail design:-

Proposed treatment would not support the future strategy to install a raised central median along (i) Bridge Street. Community should be continually reminded at every opportunity that at sometime when for

traffic safety and management reasons this will be required as part of an overall strategy for the highway. A minimum width centrally raised median would have been sufficient at this time. (ii) There will be a loss of on-street parking along the eastern side of Bridge Street opposite Out Street.

This will need to be regulated by the Traffic Committee and Council.

(iv) Where possible the proposed arrangements should be designed to RTA and AUSTROAD'S road (v) The RTA will need to approve the plans and a Works Authorisation Deed (WAD) will be required.
(vi) The proposed right-turn bay will need to be constructed to constructed to approve the plans.

The proposed right-turn bay will need to be constructed to accommodate a 19m articulated semitrailer's length and turning paths. The facility will not be adequate for B-Doubles.

(vii) Raised medians at King Street should provide for pedestrians and cyclists.

(viii) Proposed medians at Out Street will need to be set back at least 1m to cater for cyclists on the highway.

(ix) Parking on the south-western corner of Bridge and Out Street will need to be checked for left-turns by articulated vehicles as some adjustment to parking might be required.

(x) Does this concept have any impact on bus routes and stops?

Regards Greg Sciffer **Development Assessment Officer** Northern Region