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**Dear Courtney** 

## Proposed Development at 1154 CLARENCE TOWN, SEAHAM 2324 Development Application No. DA 16-2023-385-1

I refer to your application CNR59716 concerning the above development. This letter is Ausgrid's response under clause 45(2) of the *State Environmental planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007.* 

As you would be aware, the assessment and evaluation of environmental impacts for a new development consent (or where a development consent is modified) is undertaken in accordance with requirements of Section 79C of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.* 

In this regard, Ausgrid has assessed this DA with consideration of the existing Ausgrid's infrastructure, particularly in relation to risks of electrocution, fire risks, Electric & Magnetic Fields (EMFs), noise, visual amenity and other matters that may impact on Ausgrid or the development.

Please note the following information in relation to the construction of the development:

## Supply Of Electricity

We recommend engaging an electrical professional who knows how to design your connection and the type of connection to apply for. To apply for a connection the developer will need to visit Ausgrid's website https://www.ausgrid.com.au/Connections/Get-connected. An assessment will be carried out based on the information provided which may include whether or not the existing network can support the expected electrical load of the development.

Please direct the developer to Ausgrid's website, www.ausgrid.com.au for information regarding connecting to Ausgrid's network.

Proximity to Existing Network Assets

Workcover Code of Practice 2006 – Work Near Overhead Powerlines outlines the minimum safety separation requirements between these mains / poles to structures within the development throughout the construction process. It is a statutory requirement that these distances be maintained throughout construction.

It is recommended that the developer should email Ausgrid at resservicesupport@ausgrid.com.au with compliance issues regarding the relevant Workcover Code of Practice 2006 – Work Near Overhead Powerlines.

Clearance to 'As Constructed' Development assessed to be Compliant

Based on the design of the development provided, it was identified that the "as constructed" minimum clearances will not be encroached by the development.

The existing overhead mains may require relocating should the minimum safety clearances be compromised during construction, this relocation work is generally at the developers cost.

## Existing Electricity Easements

A title search of the development site should be completed to check for existing electricity easements. If easements are present, Ausgrid must assess the proposed activity within the easement. Please direct the developer to Ausgrid's website, www.ausgrid.com.au to download our "Living with Electricity Easements" brochure.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or assistance.

Yours sincerely

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