Dear Mr Standen

Windsor Bridge Replacement Project (SSI-4951) – Thompson Square Conservation Area Interpretation Plan (Stage 1) (Conditions A7(a) and B1)

I refer to your correspondence of 20 April 2018 seeking the Secretary’s approval to stage the submission of the Interpretation Plan for the Thompson Square Conservation Area under condition A7(a) and your subsequent request of 11 May 2018 seeking the Secretary’s approval of the Thompson Square Conservation Area Interpretation Plan (Stage 1) version 10 ('Stage 1 plan') under condition B1.

The Department has reviewed RMS’ justification to stage the plan, noting that the full salvage work will not be completed until after construction commences and this work must inform the final plan. I understand the plan will be submitted in two stages. The current Stage 1 plan provides a framework for interpretation and incorporates the findings from the research, investigations and limited salvage across the project. Stage 2 will include the findings of the full salvage works. I am satisfied that it is appropriate to allow the progressive preparation and submission of the plan under condition A7(a), as described.

The Department has carefully reviewed the Stage 1 plan against the requirements of condition B1. I am satisfied the plan adequately addresses the requirements of the condition for Stage 1. Please ensure the Stage 1 plan is made publicly available on the project’s website.

I understand that RMS will update the plan and resubmit it following the completion of the full salvage works, comprising Stage 2 of the plan. I remind you that you must continue to actively consult with the Office of Environment & Heritage and to ensure it reviews all relevant aspects of the Stage 2 plan. The Stage 2 plan must clearly state how the plan will be implemented, including consultation and agreements reached for interpretation elements on land not owned by RMS.

I understand the salvage works will be ongoing during the construction period of the project. Given this timing, you are required to provide an update to the Secretary within 12 months of the date of this letter detailing the further salvage activities and findings, consultation and timeframes for completion and implementation.

If you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact [redacted] or [redacted]

Yours sincerely

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Director Infrastructure Management
As Delegate of the Secretary

[Signature] 11/5/18