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The Secretary NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment Locked Bag 5022 Parramatta 2124

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To whom it may concern,

RE: NEPEAN BUSINESS PARK SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION (DA 9876) - SUPPORT

Business Western Sydney writes in support of the Nepean Business Park Subdivision Development Application (DA 9876).

Business Western Sydney is a not-for-profit business group representing more than 100 of the region's largest organisations in government, industry and community sectors. Our advocacy priority is to support and encourage greater private and public sector investment in Western Sydney that will drive job creation and make the region a better place to live, work, play and learn.

We note that here is a critical shortage of employment/industrial land in Western Sydney and particularly in the Penrith area. We support this project as a significant and important contribution to providing additional employment land and job opportunities for the region.

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a negative impact on the economy and threatened thousands of jobs in Western Sydney. It is essential that projects such as the Nepean Business Park are approved to get Western Sydney and the Australian economy up and running again and to capitalise on the upswing as the economy expands.

Business Western Sydney believes that the Nepean Business Park will be a significant contributor to the local economy supporting the creation of more than 18,000 jobs and \$2 billion in economic activity during construction. The project will also provide broader community benefits including the Great River Walk.

Business Western Sydney commends this project and looks forward to its successful approval.

Yours sincerely,

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