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Dear Professor O'Kane

**Advertising Signage, 80 Raven Street, Kooragang (DA 22/8564)**

The Department of Planning and Environment (the Department) has completed its merit assessment of a Part 4 Development Application at 80 Raven Street, Kooragang (DA 22/8564), lodged by Barr Planning on behalf of Ooh! Media (the Applicant). The site is owned by Port of Newcastle Lessor Pty Limited.

The Department has referred the application to the Independent Planning Commission for determination as the Applicant disclosed a reportable political donation.

The Department exhibited the application and accompanying SEE and associated documents for 14 days from 5 August 2022 to 18 August 2022. It was made publicly available on the Department's website, notified to surrounding landowners and referred to Council and RMS for comment.

In assessing the merits of the project, the Department considered the environmental impacts of the proposal, Council and agency comments, relevant environmental planning instruments, and the public interest, in accordance with the EP&A Act.

Based on its assessment, the Department believes that the project is approvable subject to the recommended conditions.

I have attached a copy of the Department's assessment report and all other relevant documents for the Commission's consideration.

For any further information or to arrange a briefing, please contact Keiran Thomas, Director Regional Assessments, on (02) 9860 1578 or at [keiran.thomas@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:keiran.thomas@planning.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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