

Our Ref: SSD 9409987

Mr Stephen Barry

Planning Director – NSW Independent Planning Commission

Via email: [REDACTED]

1 November 2024

Subject: Moss Vale Plastics Recycling Facility (SSD 9409987) – Response to Request for Information

Dear Mr Barry

I refer to your letter of 28 October 2024, seeking the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure's (the Department's) response to a question on notice and a request for information. The Department's responses are below.

1. *Wingecarribee Shire Council's Draft Southern Highlands Innovation Park (Draft SHIP) identifies the Project Site as being within a proposed 'research, training and advanced manufacturing precinct'. Could the Department please advise if the proposed development constitutes 'advanced manufacturing'?*

The Department notes that, in accordance with Section 2.10 of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Planning Systems) 2021, development control plans do not apply to State significant development and the Draft SHIP Masterplan is not in effect. Notwithstanding, while 'advanced manufacturing' is not a defined term in planning legislation, the Department considers the development does broadly meet this definition as new products would be manufactured on the site using purpose built machinery.

2. *The Applicant advised the Commission that they provided information to the Department in September 2024 regarding the proposed development's consistency with the Draft SHIP. Can the Department please provide this information to the Commission?*

No written information was provided by the Applicant to the Department in September 2024 regarding consistency with the Draft SHIP Masterplan, which was on public exhibition in July 2024.

Should you have any questions in relation to the Department's response, please contact me on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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