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Dear Sir / Madam,

Dial Before You Dig – Potential impact on tunnel assets

Thank you for your Dial Before You Dig enquiry. Sydney Metro has identified underground tunnel assets in the vicinity of the enquiry location. These assets may include, but are not limited to running tunnels, cross passages, cross over caverns and associated services.

Please be aware that damage to these assets could cause serious injury or death as well as major disruption to Sydney Metro rail infrastructure.

A subsurface property stratum has been registered with the Land and Property Information office which describes the space in both plan and reduced level within which the tunnel assets are located. A copy of the relevant stratum plan is attached. The plan is provided subject to the provisions set out below.

- The actual depth of existing tunnel assets may vary significantly from the location shown on the attached plans as a result of changes to road, footpath or surface levels subsequent to installation.
- Any reliance placed on these plans by you is entirely at your risk. You must undertake your own investigations and enquiries to confirm the exact locations of underground assets.
- Sydney Metro is not responsible for any loss suffered by you or any other party (including indirect or consequential loss) in connection with the provision of the plan, however that loss may arise (including losses arising as a result of negligence by Sydney Metro and/or its employees, officers, consultants and contractors).
- Whilst Sydney Metro has taken all reasonable steps to ensure that the information contained in the plan is as accurate as possible, Sydney Metro gives no guarantee, warranty or undertaking as to the accuracy, currency, adequacy, suitability or completeness of the plan and does not assume any duty of care to you or any third party nor accept any liability for inaccuracies in the information shown on these plans.
- Sydney Metro's plans are frequently updated. The attached plans are valid for 6 months from date of issue.

You must review the attached plan(s) to ensure that any proposed works by you are not in conflict with Sydney Metro's assets.

The potential to impact the tunnels will depend upon the nature of works proposed. You must contact Sydney Metro prior to carrying out any works if any of the following apply:

1. your proposed excavation is greater than 2 metres below existing ground level (this includes trenching, bore holes, piles and similar ground penetrations) and is located above or within the property stratum; **or**
2. significant additional loads are to be placed over the stratum area whether temporarily or permanently; **or**
3. significant vibration (i.e. driving piles) is to occur over or in the vicinity of the stratum.

In the event that the proposed works trigger any one of the above conditions:

- do not commence works;
- contact Sydney Metro via email smcswdbyd@transport.nsw.gov.au;
- provide sufficient information to Sydney Metro to enable accurate review of the proposed work; and
- await positive confirmation from Sydney Metro that the works are allowed to proceed.

Any further information you may require can be requested during this contact.

You must:

- provide Sydney Metro with information about the proposed works with sufficient time to allow for adjustments to meet Sydney Metro's requirements;
- not modify the extent of work in the vicinity of the tunnels without prior notification to Sydney Metro;
- exercise due care and take all reasonable precautions in the vicinity where underground assets are indicated to avoid destroying, damaging or interfering with Sydney Metro assets and infrastructure;
- not relocate or alter any Sydney Metro tunnel assets or infrastructure under any circumstance;
- immediately notify Sydney Metro of any damage or threat of damage to its infrastructure that occurs as a result of your work, by telephoning the emergency contact number 1800 019 989; and
- ensure information provided in this response is printed and remains available on-site at all times throughout your construction phase.

Due to the inherent dangers associated with excavation in the vicinity of underground tunnel assets, precautions should be taken in the undertaking of any excavation or underground works, including, but not limited to the following:

- all personnel must be properly briefed, particularly those associated with the use of earthmoving equipment, trenching, boring and pneumatic equipment; and
- all excavations by you must be undertaken in accordance with all relevant laws and regulations including, in accordance with but not limited to, Work Cover NSW "Work near underground assets: Guide" and "Work Cover NSW "Excavation work: Code of practice".

You will be held responsible for any damage to any of Sydney Metro's assets or infrastructure or other loss caused (including consequential loss) as a result of excavation or earthworks by you or on your behalf.

The provision of the attached drawing/s does not provide approval for your proposed works or diminish your obligations under NSW legislation. This includes the requirement to contact Sydney Metro prior to any work commencing which could affect our assets to discuss necessary safety and design aspects as detailed above.

Yours sincerely,

Sydney Metro