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**Director**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Response to the Draft Education and Child Care SEPP**

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) is a major education provider in Western Sydney operating 79 schools throughout the North West and West of Sydney and the Blue Mountains.

We take this opportunity to provide this response to the Draft Education and Child Care SEPP and submit the following for consideration:

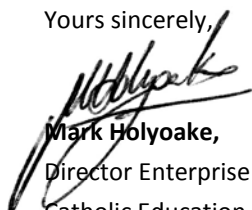
In reviewing the EIE for the draft SEPP (Educational Establishments and Child Care Facilities) 2017, it is stated that Part A: The Educational and Child Care Sector Policy Framework (Page 7) that: "One option being considered .... is that all applications for complying development certificates for school infrastructure be issued by council certifiers."

CEDP oppose this condition and seek to ensure the option to engage Private Certifiers is maintained.

In reviewing the public consultation draft SEPP (Educational Establishments and Child Care Facilities) 2017, it is apparent that Part 4, Cl.34.2 (d) sets hours of operation of a school based child care facility to be assessed as complying development at 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

CEDP seek the extension of hours permissible as complying development to be 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. as it is the experience of families across Western Sydney that extended hours of care are essential to manage work and travel arrangements.

Yours sincerely,



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