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Mr Nik Midlam
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By email: council@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Midlam

Re: Energy Efficiency Master Plan

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the City's Energy Efficiency Master Plan. The Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) is a forum for collaboration and the exchange of ideas between our member councils, as well as being an interface between governments, other councils and key bodies on issues of common interest. Together, our member Councils cover a population of over 1.6 million, or one third of the population of Sydney.

SSROC strongly supports City's work in the field of energy efficiency, as well as in the related fields of renewable and decentralised energy. We agree that energy efficiency is both an effective mechanism for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and reducing operational costs.

The plan is a thorough document, which appears to comprehensively address the major barriers to achieving improved energy efficiency at this point in time, as well as acknowledging that the challenges and opportunities will change in the future. The enabling actions have the potential to be replicated in other councils, and some will be used to inform and strengthen our programs at the regional level.

Thank you also for presenting the plan to the SSROC Environmental Management Group in February: the participation of the City of Sydney in this and other regional groups is appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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