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Ms Catherine Chambers
Permit and Licence Management
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Dear Ms Chambers

Cross River Rail – Rail, Integration and Systems – Development by the State for the upgrade of Exhibition Station within Queensland Heritage Place – Brisbane Exhibition Grounds (RNA Showgrounds)

The Cross River Rail Delivery Authority (Delivery Authority) seeks to lodge an application under Section 71 of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992 for development by the State on a Queensland heritage registered place. Under Section 69 of the Cross River Rail Delivery Authority Act 2016, development for Cross River Rail is taken to be development proposed to be carried out by the State for the purpose of Section 71 of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992.

As part of the delivery of the Cross River Rail project, the UNITY Alliance has been appointed to undertake the upgrade to the Exhibition Station within the Brisbane Exhibition Grounds (QHR: 601709). These works include:

- an upgraded Exhibition Station featuring:
  - upgrading of the central island platform to allow the station to safely operate as a 365 day per year station, incorporating RNA event mode operations;
  - an under-croft station plaza designed to provide consolidated access to the island platform via main stairs and vertical transportation;
  - a floating canopy design which maximises natural light, provides protection from the elements and respectfully integrates with heritage buildings;
  - improved functionality, providing greater connectivity and customer safety; and
  - supporting infrastructure, including ticketing facilities, toilets and back of house facilities.
- widening of rail corridor and viaduct to allow for an additional railway track, providing three tracks in total;
- upgrade to Queensland Rail staff carpark and loading bay; and
- pedestrian connections to Exhibition Station.

Please find enclosed a completed and signed application form, accompanied by a report on the proposed development.
The attached report has been prepared in accordance with the information requirements for heritage impacts outlined in section 4.0 of the Department of Environment and Heritage’s *Guideline: State Development Assessment Provisions State Code 14: Queensland Heritage*.

If you require further information regarding this application, I encourage you to contact [blacked out].

Yours sincerely,

Graeme Newton  
Chief Executive Officer  
Cross River Rail Delivery Authority

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