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"Section 75W Modification Application Project No 060184"

To whom it may concern,

I write this submission clearly stating that not all the related information was available / disclosed! I attended Lake Macquarie City Council (LMCC) where I viewed and received three written documents. The first document was entitled "Section 75W Modification Application Supporting Document", the second entitled "Pasminco Land Realisation & Longer-term Funding Strategy", and the third entitled "Project Approval".

The Section 75W Modification Application Proposal to change the Project Approval conditions of consent refers to a document entitled "Groundwater Monitoring and Management Plan, Reference 137625003 323 R REVO, dated 17 June 2016 (GWMP)". This GWMP document does not form any part of this disclosure documentation, but is an integral part of the proponent's Modification Application. To my knowledge this G.W.M.P has never been disclosed to the public / affected residents. According to the Section 75 W Mod Application- Project No 060184 supporting document, this G.W.M.P. has been approved by the site Auditor, it has been prepared in consultation with the E.P.A., the site auditor and the Office of Water.

Please forgive me for not trusting the E.P.A. 'S judgement because the E.P.A. approved a Lead Abatement Strategy(L.A.S) with a lead level of 1000 ppm which is 3 times more the World Health Safety Level. At a Public Meeting on the 6 July 2007 the E.P.A. representative, Mr Coffey, declared the affected residential homes which were less than 1000 pmm in the Lead Grid as CLEAN because no restoration work was required to be done by Ferrier Hodgson. At no stage either before or at the Public Meeting did the E.P.A. Dept Health, L.M.C.C., Mr Greg Piper MP or Ferrier Hodgson, declare or tell the affected residents that the 1000 pmm was over 3 times the W.H.O. safety levels. L.M.C.C representative, Sharon Pope, did talk about the 300 pmm but failed to identify this as the W.H.O. Safety level.

If any of the government departments or the Proponent had notified residents of the fact that 300ppm was the world health safety level, I know some additional residents would have remediated their land taking advantage of the free disposal in the Pasminco contamination cell.

Since then the L.M.C.C. has imposed the 300 pmm on residents in the lead grid, which Sharon Pope from L.M.C.C. and Greg Piper M.P. stated at that Public Meeting that over 300 pmm only applies to change of use application and not to residential building applications. **They reassured residents that they would not be affected.** Now residents in the lead Grid with lead levels over 300 pmm must remediate their land at their own cost, the cost is up to \$65,000. LMCC refuses to remediate their footpaths stating that they are unable to afford these costs of remediation. But LMCC believes the residents can afford up to \$65,000 to fix contamination which they had no part in depositing on their land! This is unfair and unrealistic.

The situation is;

1. We don't have all the information to make an informed assessment.
2. We are asked to trust Government Departments which clearly in the past in my opinion have failed in their duty of care.
3. The Proponent wants to delete Consent Conditions and it appears to water down their responsibility to the Community and their obligations under the project approval.

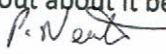
I believe the Respondents modification application should be refused. It states the Proponent wants conditions completely deleted because the work is almost completed. Once the work is completed then that condition is completed, there is no need to delete it from the Conditions of Consent!

Any conditions for the ongoing safety protections of the Original consent conditions must not be reduced by deleting whole sections or adopting the GWMP document which the Respondent has failed to disclose in detail, and only mention its existence.

Without the GWMP document disclosed in full in the proponent's Modification Application I/we can only draw the conclusion that this GWMP document decreases the proponent's obligations under the Project Approval, which is not acceptable!

Please maintain all the original conditions of consent in the Project Approval to safeguard the community!!!! As stated the consent conditions cease to exist when the work specified in the consent condition is completed so there is no need to delete them!! A copy of the GWMP document should have been included in the Modification Application and it was not!!!!

P.S. The no **notification / short notification** to the community is unacceptable. I only found out about it because of a newspaper article.


Peter Newton