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Woolworths Warehouse and Customer Fulfilment Centre, Marrickville (SSD-10468)

To whom it may concern,

We refer to the above and note that we oppose the development application as it is currently proposed; however, we do understand the importance of the development to the area and would ask that the proponent consults with us as the proprietor of the above residential property and other close residences.

Our strongest objection is to the 24-hour operation of the warehouse and the subsequent disturbance to sleep. Firstly, the Environmental Impact Statement does not appear to contain any form of wall or screening of the car park onto Edinburgh Road. We are concerned given the 24-hour operation of the premises, that this would consequently give rise to vehicles going in and out of the car park at night, the slamming of car doors, shining lights directly into residential properties, noise from conversations and car radios.

In Appendix Z at 7.2, it is suggested that the “carpark is unlikely to be used during the night time period”, however, the development proposal has not offered any suggestions to mitigate possible carpark noise emissions and is merely speculating that it is “unlikely”. Furthermore, we also note that the sleep disturbance criteria are only met by 2 dB and the night criteria by 1 dB, and thus the margin through which the noise analysis meets guidelines is exceptionally narrow.

Further to the carpark, we are also concerned with the number of truck movements to the proposed development, especially at night, again noting the narrow sleep disturbance criteria. We would ask that truck movements be reduced or constrained at night or that there is a restriction between hours.

Additionally, we would ask that the proponent consider further screening at the front of the development to screen carpark noise and/or consider negotiating with sensitive residential receivers, the installation of glazed windows and doors or insulation from sound events, given the significance of the project and the severe effect it will have on residential properties directly opposite the development site.

Furthermore, we disagree with the visual analysis and note that the report was collated in a strategic way to avoid construing the development as overall visually significant even though for southern properties on Edinburgh Road the development is oversized for the area and immediately opposite residential properties. Furthermore, there seems to be no analysis of visual privacy, instead only an acoustic report, and that we are concerned with the size and potential privacy impact of the proposed development especially the five-story office building.

Finally, we are opposed to the expansion of Edinburgh road to 3 lanes. As Marrickville Metro Shopping Centre has become busier it has become more challenging to use our driveway, we are concerned that if the third lane to allow vehicles to turn into the development is approved it will both create more idling in front of our property and thus more noise, but it will also be near impossible to use our driveway.

We hope that the proponent of the development will get in contact with us to converse about the issues raised and possible solutions, as we understand the significance of the project and potential job and economic creation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Aiden M". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping 'M'.

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