February 2, 2020.

Dear Katelyn Symington,

RE: Exhibition of State Significant Development Application Gunnedah Waste Facility Application No: SSD-8530563

## OBJECTION

I Object to the submission of application for a State Significant Development (SSD) proposed by the Mackellar Equipment Hire Pty Ltd for the establishment of a resource recovery and waste transfer facility ("waste facility", "the Project") on land comprising part Lots 1 and 2 in Deposited Plan 1226992 on industrial zoned land at No.16 Torrens Road Gunnedah.

## 2. Site Details.

2.1 Locational Context

The site of the proposed waste facility (Project Site) is within a recently constructed industrial estate located to the west of Gunnedah, in the Gunnedah local government area (LGA).

While the proposed *Waste Facility* is technically in a recently constructed industrial area, it is adjacent to and surrounded by family (My family) and residential properties. And of that said Industrial area it is an active population of Tradesmen and not otherwise a place of just storage and dispatch. And another note of that said, *"Designated Industrial Area"*; It was only pursued to be an industrial area because of Mackellar Equipment Hire Pty Ltd's financial gain as owner of the land who submitted application to re-zone the area which was Initially residential zoning. Momentarily after the re-zoning, Mackellar Equipment Hire Pty Ltd, subdivided and sold some twelve or more Lot/DP's for an advertised price of \$360,000 each.

One block still remains for sale for \$400,000 with a headline advertisement "Take your business to the next level". I'd like for Mackellar Equipment Hire Pty Ltd to take this advice and Take your business elsewhere.

FIGURE 2.2: The Project Site is located in a designated industrial area on the western fringe of the township of Gunnedah, well removed from zoned residential areas.

The figure 2.2 is cleverly deceiving you of the close proximity of Gunnedah's NAMOI RIVER hidden by the large blackened mark "PROJECT SITE". The distance from the "Project Site" to the Namoi River is only 862metres.

A newly developed water cause way also runs a large vein of water directly from the industrial site directly to the Namoi River. Just last night Gunnedah received 42mm's of rain which caused a rush of water through this area and it is these natural events that give me great concern for what Waste will end up in our system.

The nearest residents are adjacent to the proposed site and the house is only 165 metres away.

My family's home is only metres away. We gather at the family farm for horse riding and water activities such as catch and eat yabbies, catch and eat fish and swim in the dam, lagoon and river. We also breed horses on the property, ride horses, camp, motorbike ride and walk around the farm.

It is anticipated that small quantities only of appropriately sealed asbestos waste will be delivered to the proposed waste facility- up to about 1,000 tonnes per annum. The aim will be to to store this waste on site in separate, secured storage facilities until sufficient quantity is achieved (about 33-38 tonnes) in order that it be economically trucked to an authorised asbestos waste disposal facility elsewhere. Any unexpected finds asbestos will also be stored on site in a secure storage.

It's most alarming that Mackellar Equipment Hire Pty Ltd believe Gunnedah's community, industrial workers, myself and my family can co-exist with the close proximity of asbestos.

I was notified of this proposal three days ago by a very concerned nearby resident to which I had to inform my father and he knew nothing of this proposal. I believe Mackellar Equipment Hire Pty Ltd are trying a passive submission for a self-intended financial result with nil care for the community and near by residents. To my knowledge there are many living permanently in this area.

Kind regards,

