To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to voice my concerns regarding the **SIMTA Moorebank Intermodal Facility Stage 1** which is currently on display.

My primary concern is that the documentation presented considers only this proposal, which on the surface sounds reasonable, however this facility is merely half of the entire project, and therefore any figures quoted would need to be increased two fold to represent the actual situation we face in Moorebank and the surrounding suburbs.

The idea that this facility will take trucks off the metropolitan road network is farcical. While some of the freight will reach the proposed intermodal facility via train, the freight will not stay at the site, but in fact be moved on by truck. This will significantly impact the local and regional road network – and I note that there has been no provision for upgrade for some years to come.

The noise created by the excessive rail traffic will be unacceptable for the residents closest to the rail line will make their lives a misery – and this cannot be mitigated.

The fine particulate matter that will enter the atmosphere as a result of out-dated locomotives and diesel fumes has not been thoroughly accounted for, and will most certainly have adverse ramifications for the health of the local community.

There is a definite question of need for this facility. With a modern facility, which is currently underutilised at Chullora, there seems no need to waste millions upon millions of taxpayers dollars into a project with no proven economic benefit.

For these reasons I implore the Department to consider the impacts of this facility on our community, and refuse its approval.

Yours sincerely

Moorebank Residents' Action Group.