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Director Infrastructure Projects Planning Systems Moorebank Intermodal Terminal Project SSD 5066/EPBC 2011/6086

I am a long time resident of Wattle Grove and our home is on the western side of Wattle Grove 800 metres from this MIC site.

I totally oppose this MIC Proposal and the similar SIMTA Proposal

"There will be absolutely not one Container Truck removed from Sydney Roads, especially the M5 & M4 Motorways, if this MIC Terminal is built."

This quote is from Mr Ian Hunt, MIC Project Director.

I asked him this question and received an amazing response on the

25<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at the MIC Local Residents meeting at Casula

The simple question was:

"How many container trucks will still be using he M5 from the Botany Terminal if this MIC Terminal is approved and built."

His answer was "the same number of Container Trucks will use the M5 from Botany to Moorebank as now. There will be no reduction"

His reason was that this MIC Intermodal Train transfer will only handle the expected future increase in Containers coming into Botany not the current amount.

I said to him that this radically contradicts the Publicity Campaign that all Governments have been using to justify this Project to all M5 users across Sydney.

lan Hunt agreed.

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I spoke to other Wattle Grove residents about this information and it was confirmed that Ian Hunt had mentioned this same fact on the previous Thursday meeting.

The major benefit for this Intermodal was to remove the Container Trucks off Sydney's roads and has been repeatedly told to all Sydney road users by every Federal & State Government Leader since 2004 when this idea was first floated by John Howard.

All Infrastructure Ministers have elaborated how this will improve all roads in Sydney.

The road users outside Liverpool believe the M5 and other roads surrounding the Botany Container Terminal will be greatly improved and agree with this proposal.

## Summary

- 1. All Sydney road users need to be informed of this Major Error.
- 2. This must come from all Federal & State Leaders.
- 3. This needs to be released well before your Infrastructure Decisions.
- 4. If nothing is done then it sounds like a cover up.
- 5. I will then seek advice with the NSW Ombudsman.

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