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Dear Director,

**Moorebank Intermodal Terminal Environmental Impact Statement
(SSD 5066/EPBC 2011/6086)**

Thankyou for the opportunity to provide comments on the Moorebank Intermodal Terminal (IMT). The Moorebank IMT will provide an inland road and rail terminal to service freight movements to and from Sydney's West and South West. While the IMT has the potential to boost national productivity and attract employment and investment to the region it will also have a strong impact on the already congested regional road network.

Heavy vehicle movements generated by the operation of the IMT are likely to have an impact on major arterial roads in the Bankstown Local Government Area (LGA), such as Henry Lawson Drive and Stacey Street. These roads are already operating at capacity and will require significant infrastructure upgrades to accommodate additional traffic. Consequently Council requests that, alongside the other proposed traffic mitigation measures incorporated in the development, the Moorebank Intermodal Company contribute funding to the upgrade of Henry Lawson Drive (intersection with Milperra Road), and to the upgrade of Stacey Street to accommodate for increased traffic flow occasioned both directly and indirectly by the IMT.

Bankstown City Council is also an active member of the Georges River Combined Councils' Committee Inc (GRCCC). Council shares the concerns of the GRCCC regarding the impact of the IMT on water quality, litter and biodiversity in the Georges River catchment and supports their full submission on the IMT. In particular Council has concerns regarding;

- The management and treatment of stormwater runoff and the impact on water quality in the Georges River
- The need for measures to mitigate the risk of rubbish and litter entering the Georges River
- The loss of high value and intact vegetation and biodiversity corridors

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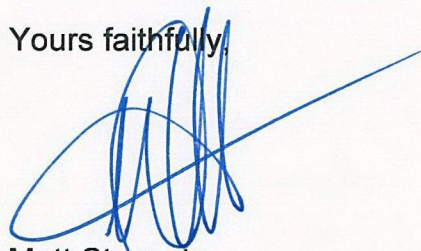
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- That no surveys were undertaken for the EIS on Aquatic habitat and aquatic threatened species
- The work on sites identified as high risk flood hazards.

Council also requests that clear communication channels are established and maintained between Bankstown City Council and the Moorebank Intermodal Company throughout the construction and operation of the project regarding any impacts the project may have on the Bankstown LGA. While the IMT may be placed in a neighbouring LGA, the construction and operation may adversely impact Bankstown residents. In particular, Council requests that air quality and noise in the surrounding areas of the project site are closely monitored throughout the construction and operation of the terminal and feedback provided to Council. This monitoring information should also be placed on the web quarterly to ensure transparency, with the data certified by an independent consultant.

If you would like more information or to discuss the concerns raised by Council, please contact me directly on 9707 9522.

Yours faithfully,



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