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Mr Karl Fetterplace, Department of Planning and Environment, 320 Pitt Street, SYDNEY NSW 2009

Dear Mr Fetterplace,

Glebe Island - Multi User Facility (MUF) and Hanson's Concrete Batching Facility

We have discussed with our Committee, members and general community and there appears to be general acceptance that this proposed Glebe Island development is incompatible with the relatively recent, large scale residential development in Pyrmont, east of the site.

Whilst Glebe Island's use as a Port is generally accepted, given the large number of major projects planned for this area, including the MUF and Hanson's batching plant, the cumulative effect on the environment, such as noise and air pollution, could be catastrophic for people living in the surrounding communities.

Follows are our greatest concerns expressed by our community:

- 1. High noise and air quality impacts on nearby residents given the materials handling ships docking to unload at Glebe Island's MUF will not have ship to shore electricity which will mean the ships' engines will be kept running throughout the time (24/7) the ship is moored for unloading operations.
- 2. The delivery / conveying of raw materials and the loading /operating of concrete agitator trucks occurring 24/7. Agitator truck movements are planned for a peak of 965 in/out movements per day.
 - Hansons should be required to restrict its operations (both in receiving raw materials and loading concrete trucks) to 12 hours/day, avoiding night time operations and enabling local residents to sleep.
- Hansons to liaise with Ports Authority and other relevant Government agencies to install a solar power generation (top of the MUF roof) and storage facility at Glebe Island and require delivery ships to adapt their systems to enable shore to ship power supply.



- 4. Noise impacts at the residential building/s in Pyrmont closest to the facilities should be monitored and evaluated, and any increases above those listed in the EIS addressed and advised to those affected.
 - a. A 24 hour hotline to be set up for residents to report concerns and initiating immediate investigations into each complaint received.
 - b. A community reference group to be established which meet with Hanson and Port Authority management on an agreed frequency.
 - As part of the facility's Management Plan, a compulsory noise and dust education program should be established for Hanson and MUF employees.
 - d. Reversing beepers on the facility vehicles to be replaced with "non" audible alarms.
 - e. Start-up warning alarms on conveyor belts (both onshore and offshore, i.e. the material handling ships) to be replaced with a highly visible rotating light system.
 - f. All conveyor gantries (fixed and mobile) are to be enclosed and these enclosures lined with effective sound attenuation material.
 - g. All conveyor gantry transfer points to be enclosed and these enclosures lined with a sound attenuation material.
 - h. The installation of a pipeline from the Cement Australia silos to Hanson's Batching Plant to avoid any escape of dust in the delivery of cement as well as reduce the extra noise / air pollution caused by having to use additional trucks.
 - i. The silos should be fully enclosed, including a roof structure to reduce possible air and noise quality impacts on surrounding residents.
- 5. The proposed shipping containers installed to reduce noise, the Batching Plant, Silos and MUF side of the containers should be fitted / covered with a proven noise absorption material as relying on steel containers alone will not achieve the best result.

Yours sincerely, Michele Hacking (Secretary -Bays Community Coalition)