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**Submission to the Environmental Impact Statement  
for the North Connex Tunnel Project**

Please find attached Ku-ring-gai Council's submission to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the North Connex tunnel project.

Council has engaged suitably qualified consultants to review and assess the EIS and have found the EIS does not provide sufficient information to fully assess the impacts on the local community. The consultants, along with Council staff, have highlighted a number of areas where additional information is required. These are detailed in Council's submission.

It would be appreciated if the Department of Planning and Environment seek responses from Transurban and the Roads and Maritime Services prior to any determination of the EIS. Council understand the Department is obtaining its own independent analysis of several environmental aspects associated with the project. This action is supported.

Council held a forum with local residents. Their concerns with the project have been included in Council's submission.

Council and the local community have raised a number of concerns with the proposed project particularly with regard to the location of the northern ventilation stack and its likely impact on the local community. There are a number of other concerns relating to construction traffic, noise and vibration, loss of property values and heritage impacts.

Council requests it be consulted on any proposed conditions of consent prior to determination of the EIS.

Yours faithfully

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