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Director-Infrastructure Projects
Department of Planning and Environment
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Major Projects Assessment
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NorthConnex Application Number: SSI 13-6136

Please find my submission in response to the exhibition of the EIS for NorthConnex. I would like to state that I object to the project as described in the EIS.

I have high levels of concern regarding the following issues and request that these be considered by NorthConnex and the Department of Planning. With regard to the NorthConnex tunnel, I am concerned about:

1. Placement of the northern ventilation stack in the centre of a densely populated residential area in Wahroonga where 9,300 school children will be exposed, as well as people in multiple aged care facilities, hospitals, businesses and homes.
2. I am highly concerned about the multiple large scale research studies that suggest that the impacts of air pollutants on health are serious. These include increased deaths from heart disease, increased risks of lung cancer, increased risks of stroke, poor lung growth in children, increased cases of asthma, increased incidence of autism and congenital heart defects plus recent research that suggests there is an increased risk of pregnant women having low birth weight infants. These studies confirm air pollutants have prothrombotic and inflammatory effects on humans which cause the above mentioned health problems.

To address my concerns I request that the following actions be taken:

- (a) Due to the significant health concerns of the current project design, I request the Department of Planning does not approve the project in its current form.
- (b) I also request that alternative transport options to ease congestion on Pennant Hills Road be considered. An orbital route would be ideal.

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