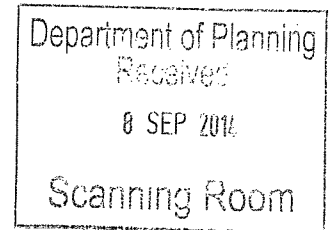




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NorthConnex Application number SSI 13-6136

Please accept my submission in response to the exhibition of the EIS for NorthConnex

I wish to OBJECT to the project as it is currently proposed, and request that the DoP reconsiders the proposal in particular in respect to:

- The proposed location of the Northern ventilation outlet within a residential area of Wahroonga.
- The impact of the air pollution on the public health that is likely to occur as a result absence of any filtration. From the information that has been available it is evident that air pollutants from diesel engines are major contributors to a number of serious diseases, facts that can not simply be dismissed without further detailed studies.
- I am concerned about the projected air quality modelling of the Northern vent as outlined in the EIS. The data to support the proposal seems irrelevant as it is not actual data from the area which should have considered wind speed, local meteorology etc.
- I am concerned that the justification for not providing filtration for the stacks is based on incorrect data and cost-cutting. Modern filtration technology is available and should be considered a crucial piece of infrastructure to at least ease resident concerns.

I request the following actions;

1. The Department does not approve the project in its current form as it clearly does not meet the principles of Ecologically Sustainable Development as required by the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.
2. The air quality and impact on human health is assessed and recommendations by an independent, reliable authority are considered and discussed in a public forum.
3. That the DoP sets strict operating conditions for the NorthConnex operator that any unfiltered stacks are unacceptable now and in the future.

Kind regards,

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