

11 September 2014

The Director – Infrastructure Projects Department of Planning and Environment Number: SSI 13\_6136 Major Projects Assessment GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Sir/ Madam

## NorthConnex Application Number: SSI 13\_6136

This letter is in response to the exhibition of the EIS for NorthConnex.

On behalf of the residents at The Woniora Retirement Village in Wahroonga, we **object to the project** as described in the EIS.

Our concerns are regarding the following issues, and we request that these be given serious consideration by NorthConnex and the Department of Planning. We are deeply concerned about:-

- 1. Placement of the unfiltered 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 multiple aged care facilities, hospitals, businesses and homes.
- 2. The disregard shown towards the multiple large scale research studies which suggest that the impacts of air pollutants on health are serious. These include increased death from heart disease, increased risks of lung cancer, stroke, poor lung growth in children, increased asthma, and recent research suggesting low birth weight for pregnant women, increased autism, and congenital heart defects. These studies confirm air pollutants have prothrombotic and inflammatory effects on human beings which cause the above health problems.



To address our concerns, we request that the following actions be undertaken:-

- 1. Due to the significant health concerns of the current project design, we request that the Department of Planning does not approve the project in its current form.
- 2. Amend the tunnel design using 21st century technology, to remove especially dangerous micro-particles from the exhaust fumes, as is done in Japan.
- 3. Consider alternative motorway options, such as an additional crossing of the Hawkesbury River linking directly to the M7 via an outer orbital surface route.

Regards,

Steve Leske Karinya Apartments Pty Ltd

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