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Planning & Assessment Department of Planning, Industry & Environment Parramatta NSW 2124

Dear Sir/Madam

We are writing to object to the Mount Pleasant Optimisation proposal.

We object on the grounds of lifestyle impact, as we believe that further excavation will greatly impede the air quality and noise exceedances of our immediate environment.

Further we have very real concerns with respect to the remediation of the vast remaining void and the permanent disruption of local water resources. The water that runs off the Rossgole Plateau will be diverted and contaminated by this proposal. Thus, interrupting the normal ground water recharge, this will in turn impact on the available water both below the plateau for landholders and downstream river flows.

Mount Pleasant Optimisation is projected to last until 2049, I doubt there will be any viable agricultural industries left if it goes ahead.

Yours sincerely

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