INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTCONNEX PROJECT

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Dear Legislative Council Committee Member,

As a Rozelle Community member, father of a 7 year old child, and global data expert by profession, I would like to express my deepest concerns and opposition towards the WestConnex Project. Although with the right project vision and value in mind, the project design and execution (e.g. using a longitudinal design for longer tunnels and with unfiltered ventilation facilities) clearly demonstrates that one of the key objectives of governance - putting proper risk mitigation and safety controls in place to ensure the health and safety of the main stakeholders (the public) - has been neglected. Based on large amounts of air quality measurements collected and analysed using modern big data technologies, our team of data scientists has proven the existence of continues extreme high levels of pollutants around construction sides that easily exceed the safety levels defined in the air quality standards published by the Australian Government Department of Environment and Energy, This exposes an immediate and high danger to the health of all residents living in the immediate impacted areas, in particular the vulnerable such as the 500+ young children of the Rozelle Public School and other primary schools impacted. Note here that with the right legal support our evidence based research could easily form the basis for class action against the state. We collectively trust you to re-enforce the required independent controls to ensure key decision makers are not making shortcuts but do the right thing in the right way, so that current and future generations can enjoy an infrastructure that is not only profitable, but efficient and safe as well.

My daughter, wife and I, thank you for your inquiry.