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Dear Commissioners

I write to you to express my strong opposition to the proposed relocation and expansion of the Hanson concrete batching plant and bulk aggregate facility to Glebe Island.

More specifically it will result in:

#### 1. Poor Air Quality

Massive amounts of fine dust particles will be released in a high-wind area. Despite assurances in the Hanson EIS that bulk materials will be covered and stored appropriately, it is impossible not to have fine particulates escape into the air throughout the day and night. I live approximately 200m from the site and we already experience increased levels of fine dust collecting on our outdoor furniture and inside our apartment when the occasional bulk carrier ship is unloading aggregate. This fine dust is not just from the unloading of aggregate but also from the ships engines burning sulphurous bunker diesel. With the proposed batching plant operating 7 days a week and 52 weeks of the year the dust pollution will be substantially increased with serious lifestyle and health implications.

I implore you to take this into consideration.

#### 2. Excessive Noise

Much of the Jacksons Landing community have already been exposed to high levels of low-frequency rumbling, pulsating noise from the engines of ships occasionally berthed at Glebe Island. Such noise has already been measured by acoustic consultants as being well above EPA night-time noise limits.

Ships engines are required to run continuously while berthed, and the noise cannot be reduced as there is no proposal for the proposed concrete plant to provide shore to ship electric power. In addition the noise generated by tug boat engines working at high revolutions to berth large ships is extremely high.

I am extremely concerned about the impact the ships engines, the tugboats engines and truck engines will have on our day to day lives.

#### 3. Traffic

Figures taken from the EIS show likely truck movements along James Craig Rd and through its intersection with Victoria Rd to be in the range of 3000 - 6000 truck trips per day. There is no question that with such a high volume of trucks on the roads in the immediate vicinity will have a huge impact on cumulative noise, fumes, dust and traffic congestion.

#### 4. Artificial Lighting

Since the proposed facility is to run all day and all night the artificial lighting spilling from berthed ships, the illuminated wharf and the coming and goings of hundreds of trucks certainly will have a negative effect on the sleeping habits of the local residents and the general ambiance of the area.

Again, as we live only 200 meters from the proposed development there is no doubt that the night time artificial lighting will have a significant impact on our lives

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“The NSW Government’s ambition for The Bays Precinct is to drive an internationally

competitive economy, by building world-class destinations on Sydney Harbour that will transform the city, New South Wales and Australia” (extract from the DOP&E website).

Commissioners, you would have to agree that the proposed Glebe Island Concrete Batching Plant and Aggregate Facility does not comply with the Bays Precinct Masterplan Vision let alone the significant negative effect it will have on the lives of people living in the precinct. Again, I implore you to be totally independent when making your ruling.

Sincerely

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