To: IPC

## Glebe Island - Hanson Concrete Batching Plant and Aggregate Handling Facility - SSD 8544

We are residents of Pyrmont living at Bowman Street, Pyrmont, which is part of the Jackson's Landing Residential Estate. We have listened and watched the proposed development of Glebe Island with interest and now dismay!

## Background:

It appears to us that the Port Authority as an instrument of the NSW Government has acted as judge and juror in changing the purpose of Glebe Island for industrial use.

The Port Authority has invested in the development of a Multi Use Facility (MUF) facility, which will solely support the commercial activity of the privately owned proposed **Hanson Concrete Batching Plant**, the latter is not viable without the Port Authority's investment.

It is a disgrace that the Port Authority should have been allowed to make available public land on a prime foreshore location within a residential community solely to support the private development of the proposed Batching Plant to be operated by Hanson's.

We feel the current Port Authority approval of the MUF has been complicit in not acting as independently as it should or indeed could?

## As residents we have consistently opposed the MUF and Hanson Batching Plant.

The Port Authority gave no meaningful consideration as to how the MUF and the adjacent Proposed Hanson Batching Plant would impact on our daily lives. As residents our community will experience the full impact of returning GLEBE ISLAND to an industrial harbour.

Hanson's plan states that they want to operate their proposed plant 24 hours per day. This is at odds with the current Batching site they operate in Pyrmont so why is it necessary to operate this new proposal 24 hours per day?

The published Hanson Business Case for the Batching Plant clearly sets out that their investment is only viable if supported by the MUF operating 24 hours per day.

The **Hanson Concrete Batching Plant is only viable if** support by the investment of a publicly owned facility operated by the Port Authority who approved the MUF on Glebe Island and it operates 24 hours per day.

To support the proposed Batching Plant the size and frequency of the shipping entering the inner harbour will be consistent with large container ships similar to those that go to Port Botany and the cumulative impact locally will be significant. These ships will off load tonnes of sand, cement and aggregate that will then be taken by road on heavy trucks across the Inner West to areas of development across Sydney. Really how much more traffic of this nature can the local roads take?

The level of secrecy in connecting the two projects is at odds with transparency and the well being of the local residential community.

The Hanson Concrete Batching Plant will have a significant cumulative impact on our community; noise, pollution, large-scale trucks. We read the RtS released by Hanson's. It contained errors of fact and lacked independence. We are frequently kept awake by ships that fail to comply with the Port Authority noise policy and even when we do complain the Port Authority fail to manage vessels. We live about 300 metres from the berthing sites at Glebe Island. At night we can hear ships engines constantly running, as there is no electricity to support the ships services. We often experience vibrations, which, often wake us during the night.

We do not support this project. At the very least we seek the IPC:

- Limit the Batching Plant operational capacity so that it is compatible with operating adjacent to a residential community.
- It places a curfew on the operation of shipping berthing at Glebe Island (all berths) prohibiting unloading between 7pm and 7am.
- Place noise limits on ships engines running all night requiring shipping operators to use generators to support essential services to crew areas between the hours of 7pm and 7 am.

Yours sincerely,

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