

INQUIRY INTO CROSS CITY TUNNEL

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Summary

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Dear Ms Simpson,

How would one go about placing at least the following three points before the committee for its consideration?

- that the project as executed is 'not fit for purpose' due to the lack of provision of a tunnel connecting east-bound traffic coming from the north into the cross city tunnel, i.e. the reverse direction replica of the tunnel that allows north-bound traffic coming from the east to access the harbour tunnel and bridge. This apparent deficit in the design, coupled with fact that east-bound traffic coming from the north has to now wait at the traffic lights at the intersection of William Street to be able proceed left and then onward to the east. The sequencing of these lights, plus the fact that only one eastbound is now NOT a 7am-7pm transit lane, is causing major delays every afternoon to southbound traffic on the eastern distributor
- that the project PPP BOOT contract is flawed under both federal and state law, as it results in outcomes that are contrary to the public interest due to the special unconscionable conditions entered into with Belfinger Berger, i.e. road closures, diversions and all other such adverse "funneling" measures that are associated with this contract. These have no force if they allow for, or in fact force a degradation and deliberate downgrading of the utility of pre-existing publicly owned roads.
- that the RTA has acting contrary to the public interest and as such have failed in their duty under previously established NSW Acts of Parliament

I would be interested to know how these points are to be addressed,

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