INQUIRY INTO PERFORMANCE OF THE NSW ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AUTHORITY

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm writing to voice my concerns regarding the White Bay Cruise terminal.

We live two blocks away from the terminal and the fumes from the ships are unbearable. My two boys, 4 & 1 years old, have asthma and there are times when they have to play inside as the fumes are so strong. I get frequent head aches and feel neaseus.

We were under the impression the terminal was a short term solution. The local community was not told this was to be a permanent wharf. It was all done on the sly.

I'm astounded that a wharf so close to residential areas has no onshore power. How can it be acceptable for ships to have their Diesel engines running non stop for up to 48hrs?

The concerns of the community were ignored when the wharf was being built and they're still being ignored. Only after the 730 Report aired a piece on White Bay and locals concerns was a second pollution reader installed.

I had assumed the NSW Environmental Protection Authority would be all over this with so many complaints but this doesn't seem to be the case.

Please help us get beautiful East Balmain back. At the moment I dread coming home when I see a stinky ship in port.

Kind regards Annelie Child