

**INQUIRY INTO PERFORMANCE OF THE NSW  
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AUTHORITY**

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The Director,  
General Purpose Standing Committee No. 5  
Parliament House  
Macquarie St  
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Sir,

We would like to make this submission to the members of the General Purpose Standing Committee No. 5, as neighbours to a declared site.

Since 2007 part of 7, 9 and 11 Nelson Parade have been a declared site and in April 2013 the EPA approved a Voluntary Management Proposal however, to date, the owners of the site have not commenced any work to decontaminate the site. Pursuant to the Contaminated Land Management Act 1997, the site owners are required to remediate the site.

We have found the EPA personal to be very helpful and professional. The problem has arisen as the site is owned by the NSW Government, which appears to be concerned with political issues rather than its legal obligations to clean up the site.

We would suggest that the EPA needs to be an independent body so it can fulfil its duty as a watchdog on all land owners, including government.

In the meantime we are forced to continue living next to a declared site. We would welcome any recommendations the Committee makes, that will enable the EPA to compel the Government to undertake the remediation work in Nelson Parade as per the VMP.

Should you wish to discuss this further, please contact us on

Yours faithfully

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