

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

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Partially Confidential

I am a (nearly) 60 year old male resident of Balmain (born and bred). I have, until forced by injury, surfed for over 40 years, never smoked or suffered any form of respiratory difficulties in my life UNTIL the commencement of the White Bay Passenger Terminal. Now I am using a Ventolin Inhaler regularly as I am now suffering asthma like symptoms due to the degraded air quality experienced in the Balmain Penninsular, particularly in areas North of the Terminal (Morts Bay, Birchgrove in particular) I have been living in Mort St prior to the opening of the Terminal and find that when the wind is from the south I am forced to go into "lock down" (windows and doors closed and verandah storm covers down) because when the wind eventually turns around, all the diesel pollution comes back to the Bay carried on the wind. WE ARE GETTING A DOUBLE DOSE OF UNACCEPTABLE POLLUTION. We need to get in line with World Best Practice regarding Cruise Ships. Shore Power, Road Grade Diesel brought on line AT LEAST 20 nautical miles from shore, provide vehicles to have clearly defined delivery times and the proviso that they "shut down" while waiting their turn to off load thus further reducing both noise and air pollution.