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Dear Inquiry,

While I accept that since Allianz Stadium has been built, changes to safety standards have been made, I cannot accept that these standards necessitate a demolition of the stadium and a rebuild.

I would advocate for a retrofit of the existing stadium, which will be far more cost effective for the taxpayers of NSW and will preserve the current award-winning stadium.

I also cannot accept that not building a new stadium will result in Sydney becoming less competitive for events. As the largest city in the nation, it would be foolish for any international act or sporting event to bypass Sydney. We already have world class facilities and this view that we need to spend billions of dollars to compete with our interstate rivals is pure folly trying to justify the spend of taxpayers money to further the agendas of the vested interests.

Retrofit Allianz / the SFS.