INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE CBD AND SOUTH EAST LIGHT RAIL PROJECT

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Thank you for the opportunity to make a Submission to the Inquiry.

In particular, I am concerned about the impact on local business and communities as a result of the project.

My specific concerns follow:

The lack of community consultation and secret back room discussions between developers and politicians featuring former premier Mike Baird; zero concern for the affect of construction works on private homes, tenants and the commercial businesses (falling like dominos without any recompense); the unrivalled and devastating irreparable destruction of our irreplaceable heritage trees along Anzac Parade, Moore Park and Alison Road, also Devonshire Street and surrounding Surry Hills areas which now look like our very own war zone; the destruction of the park near Belmore Road Randwick without any warning or signage to inform citizens of works undertaken; engaging the Spanish Steel company Acionna whose executives are renown for their corruption and a history of being sued for shoddy business practices including fraud in Spain and Portugal,* importing most of the material and steel whilst leaving our ailing steel industry to languish.

As a Randwick resident I feel that Sydney is up for sale to the highest and in many cases lowest bidder and we have ended up with wholesale destruction of our urban and green areas.

And to cap it all, the train system is third world compared to Europe and this money should have gone to upgrade that. The light rail will be more uncomfortable and much slower than our buses which work brilliantly and never needed replacing.

Thank you

*https://mobile.reuters.com/article/amp/idUSL8N1534H8

Thank you for considering my Submission.

Yours sincerely,

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