

Submission
No 491

**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTCONNEX
PROJECT**

Name: Mr Keith Dunkin

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Keith Dunkin

Via email

Dear Mr Dunkin

RE: Information to Parliamentary Secretary for Transport and Infrastructure Mark Coure MP

After investigating the correspondence between Sydney Motorway Corporation (SMC), yourself and Mr Coure's office, we found that SMC provided incorrect advice to Mr Coure's office.

This error was due to a misinterpretation of the information provided by SMC's Environment Manager [redacted], to the SMC Communications team about his meeting with you. It was noted that [redacted] made "several offers of relocation" to you during his meeting; however, this should have stated that [redacted] had made an offer of "respite". As such the incorrect wording was then provided to Mr Coure's office for his response to you.

SMC has rectified the risk of this happening again by ensuring a minimum of two employees must be present for all meetings with members of the community. Additionally, a further review and approval of the employee's notes from such meetings must be received before providing advice through the Ministerial correspondence process.

On behalf of SMC, I would like to apologise for the confusion and inconvenience this has caused you.

If you have any other queries regarding construction of WestConnex, please don't hesitate to contact our Community Engagement Team on 1800 660 248 or by email at info@westconnex.com.au.

Yours sincerely

Community Engagement Manager, M4 Widening and M4 East