

**Submission
No 33**

**INQUIRY INTO ACQUISITION OF LAND IN RELATION TO
MAJOR TRANSPORT PROJECTS**

Name: Mr Christopher McIntyre

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My name is Christopher McIntyre and I along with my partner Susan Channells and our live in our House and while we have not been Compulsorily acquired due to the West Connex project , we have been granted an exceptional hardship purchase due to the impacts that the project has had on my family.

The exceptional hardship purchase is not something that we had ever imagined that we would have to apply for , but the Sydney motorway corporation and John Holland (West Connex) have treated us terribly and acted atrociously in relation to a claim for damages to our house that has caused serious health issues due to black mold

While we are thankful that our application was accepted by the exceptional hardship committee and we are now in the process of getting our house valued by Tfnsw , we are unlike people that are compulsorily acquired that get their stamp duty and legal fees and moving costs covered in their next purchase, this is not made available to people under the exceptional hardship process.

This is not a position that we ever seen ourselves being in and feel that we should not be made to be financially worse off or out of pocket due to something that is beyond our control and in the volatile Sydney housing market at the present moment need to be assured that we can buy something of the same size and of comparative value and as close to the city and our respective places of employment that we currently are .

We have found the whole process extremely stressful and it continues to have an effect on the way we live and our quality of life while and the huge financial strain that we are experiencing now and the financial loss when we hopefully find somewhere else to buy .

Christopher McIntyre.