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Dear Sir/Madam,

WESTERN SYDNEY AIRPORT: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT – FAIRFIELD CITY COUNCIL SUBMISSION

At its meeting on 8 December 2015 Council considered a report on the draft Western Sydney Airport Environmental Impact Statement and resolved:

That Council, based on the findings and recommendations of the Independent Peer Review and its own analysis of the Western Sydney Airport Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) dated 25 November 2015:

- 1.1 *Endorse the issues outlined in the report as the basis for Council's submission to the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development in response to the public exhibition of the Western Sydney Airport Draft EIS.*
- 1.2 *Raise serious concern about the EIS due to its inadequacies and request the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development to amend the Western Sydney Airport Draft EIS to address the issues outlined in the report.*
- 1.3 *Request the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development to publicly re-exhibit the amended Western Sydney Airport Draft EIS to provide an opportunity for Council, the community and other interested stakeholders to publicly review and comment on the amended Draft EIS.*
- 1.4 *Oppose the 24 hour operation of the Airport due to the inadequacies of the EIS, particularly related to mitigation measures to address the adverse impacts of aircraft noise.*

Accordingly, please find attached Council's submission on the draft Western Sydney Airport – Environmental Impact Statement. Attached, for your information, is; Council report of 8 December 2015; Summary of Issues Document; Peer Review

Summary and Individual Peer Review Reports. These documents together culminate in Councils full submission.

As evident from the attached Council report Councils in Western and South-Western Sydney formed a consortium to engage consultants to undertake an independent peer review of the Airport EIS.

The Peer Review Report identified many deficiencies and data gaps in the draft EIS document. The deficiencies identified are considered significant and are a serious concern to Council.

It is therefore requested that the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development take into consideration the issues and recommendations raised in the attached submission.

Should you require additional information on any issues raised in the attached submission, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,



Eber Butron

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