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Submission opposing DA59244/2020

I object to DA59244/2020 on the grounds that it is potentially a major environmental, public health and safety risk for nearby residents and for workers in the business area. Examination of this project on the Planning Major Projects site for State Significant Development applications identifies three applications for waste processing in the Somersby area zoned for light industry and known as Somersby Industrial Park (SIP).

Two of the applications are for the following properties: 83 Gindurra Road and 90 Gindurra Road. The two properties in Gindurra Road are directly opposite each other and would account for 700 000 tonnes of waste per annum. This would require approximately 147 (inbound/outbound) trucks per day.

The property at 83 Gindurra Road admits in its Statement of Environmental Effects that it will operate 24 hours per day and 7 days a week, or continuously. It admits to dust, noise and environmental impacts. The major concerns about these developments,

These developments will result in hundreds of heavy trucks visiting SIP daily and using Gindurra Road to import waste, additional trucks to export recycled materials and additional trucks to export non-recyclable material. Waste processing operations will create significant noise which will impact on local residents in and on the fringe of this area. Nearby to Gindurra Road is land zoned for residential purposes.

Perhaps the most concerning impact will be the dust in the air created by handling of waste and particularly concrete crushing. There are two public schools with proximity to this proposed development as well as the suburban community of Kariong with approximately 2000 homes. Air pollution caused by toxic contaminants from concrete crushing operations and other waste processing activities.

Additional truck movements will be required for other recycling proposals such as 40 Gindurra Rd., 1 Vere Place, 244 Wisemans Ferry Rd, 168 Somersby Falls Rd and Piles Creek Rd proposal adjoining the cleanaway Depot.

Debenham and Gindurra Roads are one of only two access routes between Somersby/Kariong and West Gosford. In the event that a major accident closed Central Coast Highway at Kariong, how would this alternative route cope with the extra volume of traffic, estimated by the RMS at more than 41,000 vehicles/day, industrial park workers commuting and the large numbers of heavy trucks that would be using it daily.

Sincerely Yours
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