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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to address my concerns and that of my family for the Moorebank Intermodal Proposal. My husband has lived in the local area for 37 years and myself for 8 years, so we really love the suburb of Wattle Grove and are very concerned and upset with decision to build an Intermodal extremely close to our home and suburb. We have two young children who we hoped would be growing up with a very similiar childhood to what we both experienced. A friendly, family neighbourhood which is peaceful, clean and surrounded by happy neighbours who are supportive and long term residents.

An Intermodal in the U.S. at Centerpoint Intermodal Illinois Elwood is already up and running and now the community is suffering the effects from it. Please consider the definition of Urban vulnerability: those of low-income residents of cities in developing countries. Exposure to environmental risk and hazard as a result of physical process creating these hazard (for example building, construction, urban planning, infrastructure provision or transportation), and human.

According to the intermodal website by 2040 11,000 containers a day that need to travel by road coming to and more moorebank. 5000 out of the Port Botany is a problem now! Why would 11,000 a day coming out of an Intermodal in the middle of built up suburb and the M5 and M7 that is already congested be more viable option?

You say air quality will be better due to LPG equipment instead of diesel. Also using road rather than rail, but still over the next 20 years it will increase to 11,000 trucks with diesel emissions with be using the terminal every single day/night by road polluting Wattle Grove, Casula and surrounding areas.

We already have contaminated ground water in Wattle Grove due to the Holsworthy Army Barracks use of fire fighting foam.

As railroads are moving intermodal operations closer to their end markets, those end markets are fighting back against truck traffic they say tests the limits of local infrastructure, is dangerous to motorists and pedestrians, produces harmful noise and air pollution, and rapidly depreciates property values.

Unfortunately your proposal to build this Intermodal will take those dreams away from my family with 24 hour noise, pollution, and traffic congestion. We have travelled for years on the M5 and Heathcote Road and we know the current traffic congestion that there is, so adding the amount of trucks that will be required to transport the goods from your facility will have a HUGE impact on these roads that are already congested. The air quality and waterways will be affected and therefore not just for ourselves but future generations will suffer. The shunting of trains in the yard and with the proposed turning circle for the trains to squeal their brakes around for twenty-four hours, is unimaginable that it is deemed acceptable in the planning process for nearby residents to live peacefully. Unless there has recently been a new invention to reduce the noise of shunting trains and the squeal of brakes, I believe the long term effects to cause problems for my family and for the housing prices in our local area. I am sure there will be no offer of compensation or that Erin Brockovich to be available to fight this once the Intermodal has caused these disastrous effects for the residents, so I plead with you to stop the proposal for Moorebank as possible site. Money should not be the priority over our future generations health and wellbeing and a ludicrous decision to build an Intermodal of that scale within suburbia!!

It would make a lot more sense to build it with the warehouses at Eastern Creek or at Badgerys Creek Airport in line when that will be completed. Please consider the long term effects before you turn our peace of paradise into a living nightmare!!

Regards,
Danielle Carvey