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## **Objection to Application No: DA2023/0130**

To whom it may concern,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am writing to you as a concerned resident of Lidcombe - I have been living in Lidcombe for the better part of 20 years and the recent news of a potential waste facility development on 109A Church Street Lidcombe is extremely concerning and troubling.

I am writing to **strongly object** to this proposed development and I urge you to please reconsider proceeding with the development. I outline below the key reasons why this project should be stopped immediately:

1. **Close Proximity to Residential Areas**: the proposed site's **proximity to residential areas is alarming**. 109A Church Street is less than 100m to the closest residential property in Lidcombe. Furthermore, the area itself is densely populated and I am certain such a development would be detrimental to the health and safety of the community.
2. **Close Proximity to Primary Schools**: the proposed site is also **extremely close to two primary schools in Lidcombe** - St. Joachim's (the primary school that I attended), as well as Lidcombe Public School. The disruption caused by the noise and smell of operation of the facility (and of the trucks going back and forth) will be extremely disruptive to the students.
3. **Close Proximity to Childcare Centres**: not only is the proposed facility in close proximity to two primary schools, it will also be **closer to three childcare centres in Lidcombe**: St. Joseph's Childcare Centre; Little Sunshine Academy; and Oz Education Childcare & Preschool. Please take a moment to consider how disruptive the facility will be for the children at these childcare centres. I am certain the noise and odour alone will be hugely negative for these children in their most formative years of education.
4. **Close Proximity to Affordable Housing Complexes**: the proposed site is less than 100m to the current residential developments being undertaken by Billbergia. The apartment complex closest to the proposed site is intended to be an **affordable housing complex**. This means that the residents of these units in this building will be nurses and police officers, most of whom will certainly be night shift workers. The operation of the facility will be immensely detrimental to those frontline workers as they sleep during the day ahead of their shifts at night. Not only that, the operation of the facility will be hugely detrimental to other shift workers in the area and not just frontline workers.
5. **Unbearable Traffic Conditions on Arthur Street, Railway Street and Church Street**: these streets (where 118 trucks of the proposed facility will travel on) are already currently experiencing **bumper-to-bumper traffic on a daily basis** - even during non-peak hour traffic. It takes nearly 15-20 minutes (non-peak hour) to leave this area. The introduction of 118 trucks daily will mean traffic will be exacerbated, further putting undue stress and disruption to not only the road network, but to residents in nearby areas. **These streets are critical arterial roads** that connect Lidcombe to other parts of Sydney through Centenary Drive - Strathfield, east towards the M4 which connects to the Sydney CBD, down south to the airport, and up north to Rhodes, Chatswood, Macquarie Park, Ryde, etc.