

25 November 2013

The Hon Brad Hazzard MP
Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
Level 31 Governor Macquarie Tower
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Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Minister

CBD & South East Light Rail Environment Impact Statement

I write to request an extension for community comment on the Environment Impact Statement (EIS) for the CBD & South East Light Rail project.

This project will have massive impacts on the CBD, Surry Hills and Moore Park, a significant part of my electorate.

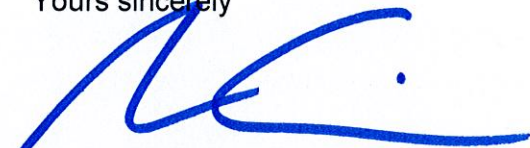
While I support improved public transport, it is vital that this major investment and significant infrastructure is planned, designed and constructed to prevent local impacts while maximising community benefit.

I share community concern that there should be open and informed community comment on the EIS. Providing for comment by 16 December will restrict the capacity of local community members to properly understand the project and provide useful comment to the government. The documents are very substantial and include complex technical information that require careful assessment.

Given the closing date for comment is just before the holiday period, there is opportunity for an extension to February without compromising the timetable for review and considering of community feedback.

Could you please provide an extended time for community comment on this project and inform me what action you will take?

Yours sincerely



Alex Greenwich
Member for Sydney

