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RE: DA2025/1638 - 8 / 0 Pringle Avenue BELROSE NSW 2085

I am a parent of children that attend Belrose Public School and strongly oppose the construction of a petrol station at this site for the following reasons:

1. Traffic Safety & Pedestrian Risk

- The high vehicle turnover will increase turning movements, queues, and sudden braking. This poses a danger to children.
- Petrol stations attract heavy vehicles, fuel tankers, and delivery trucks, which are inappropriate near young pedestrians. Children have limited road awareness, making additional traffic hazards unacceptable.

2. Air Quality, Fuel Vapour & Health Impacts for Children

Petrol stations emit benzene, toluene, xylene, and other carcinogenic vapours, even with vapour recovery systems. Children are more sensitive to air pollutants, with potential impacts on: respiratory health cognitive development long-term cancer risk (benzene is a Group 1 carcinogen).

3. Noise, Light Pollution & Operational Disturbance

Servos operate long hours-often 24/7-which is incompatible with a school zone.

Constant vehicle noise, pump noise, refrigeration units, and deliveries. Bright canopy lighting and signage may disrupt classrooms or school activities.

4. Environmental & Groundwater Risks

Potential for fuel leaks, runoff contamination or underground tank failure. Proximity to school playing fields or watercourses increases risk of soil and groundwater contamination. Emergency events (spills, fire, explosion) have severe consequences near vulnerable groups.

5. Inconsistency with Surrounding Land Use

Incompatible with the school zone, and residential housing. It will create a Negative visual impact on the school's neighbourhood character and potential deter enrolments, which will be

devastating for the school.

6. Impact on School Community Welfare

Servos can bring increased social activity that is inappropriate near young children e.g. loitering, antisocial behaviour, crime and late night traffic.

I am strongly requesting refusal of the construction of a petrol station.