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To: PAC

Subject: My submission

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Dear Committee Secretary

I write to outline my conditional support for the proposed stadium at Macquarie Point.

I think the stadium would transform the MacQuarie Point site and has the most potential to be an inclusive place for all Tasmanians. A stadium there would also bring lots more tourists to the city and should be used for major concerts and other events. However, before committing to this development I believe two preconditions must be addressed urgently.

The first is a definite, imminent date for the removal of the sewage treatment plant on the site. Why successive governments haven't gotten this done by now is hard to understand. Its continued presence on the site without any definitive announcement of its removal undermines any confidence in the Mac Point development moving forward. This is an appalling example of mismanagement if I've ever seen one.

The second precondition is that a clear transport plan needs to be in place on how the the thousands of spectators will be conveyed to the stadium, including **most importantly** light rail to the northern suburbs. There is no way that any part of the Mac Point site should be used for more parking. Without this plan in place the traffic in the area generally would become a nightmare. Everyone knows already how difficult and frustrating it can be at times navigating in and out of the city around the Railway Roundabout in all directions. Bringing large volumes of traffic into the area for events would be disastrous.

Yours sincerely

