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**To:** [PAC](#)  
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Dear Committee Secretary

I write to outline my opposition to the proposed \$750 million stadium at Macquarie Point.

As a taxpayer I object to public funding going towards this project when thousands of Tasmanians can't get a home, more than 55,000 Tasmanians are on the health waiting list to see a specialist and the cost of living is making life harder for more and more Tasmanians.

The AFL shouldn't be making Tasmanians pay for a new roofed stadium to have our own Tasmanian team. No other state has been made to do this. Tasmanians have not been consulted on the chosen site and I do not support the decision made by the government.

The government has not presented a business case that outlines the merits of this project or explained why our state should be burdened with further debt when the state already has two AFL standard stadiums, one in the north and one in the south that will now go to waste.

Another stadium is the wrong priority for our state.

Although this is a sample submission, I am using it because it sums up perfectly my views in regards to this ill thought out proposal when there are so many more pressing issues that the government needs to address. The AFL needs a Tasmanian based team before they can fully claim to have a truly national competition. For them to demand these conditions (when no other state has had to do this) is blackmail that should be completely rejected.. I call on our government to stand tall, show some backbone and force the AFL back to the negotiating table and use the money the AFL demand be spent on improving the woeful medical system.... not putting further pressure on our finances with this absolutely unnecessary project.

Kind regards  
(First Name, Last Name, Postcode)