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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to urge you to retain the Newcastle Rail Line into Newcastle city centre.

With our roads increasing in congestion, and the cost of fuel rising rapidly, it is imperative that public transport be not only retained but enhanced. The removal of an existing rail line is a giant backward step and one that will have to be rectified if it occurs.

Further, apart from the local need of such a line, visitors from intrastate, interstate, and overseas require the simplest directions to visit Newcastle. To be able to say, "Get on the train in Sydney and get off in Newcastle," makes the journey straightforward and efficient.

I urge you in the strongest possible terms to retain what is currently an important part of the city of Newcastle. Removing this line will be a tragic mistake which will cost the city dearly. Sincerely,

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