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Dear [REDACTED]

**Re: Proposed School  
Worcester Road, Rouse Hill**

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I respond to your request to undertake an assessment in relation to the potential road, traffic and safety implications of the proposal to locate a new school in Worcester Road at Rouse Hill.

I have inspected the site and made enquiries in relation to the existing road and traffic circumstances as well as the potential future circumstances.

**Road Circumstances**

The existing road circumstances at/near the frontage of the proposed school site are very poor due to the severe crest which is shown on the attached images. The severity of the crest is indicated by the existing signage and "barrier" centre line marking.

The steep grades also result in increased vehicle speeds and these circumstances present a road safety circumstance which is entirely antithetic to the location of a school frontage where stopping, turning and pedestrian / cyclist activity is heightened.

I have had some 40 years' experience in traffic and road safety assessment with the RMS predecessors and as a consultant and I cannot think of any existing school which is located at such a severe road geometry circumstance. Because of the nature of activities in concentrated time frames outside of schools, there is an inherent potential for accidents and the presence of any adverse road geometry circumstances acts to heighten that potential alarmingly.

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### Traffic Circumstances

I understand that the existing Rouse Hill Anglican College was established in 2002 and has a landholding that virtually adjoins the site of the proposed school. I also understand that the current enrolment at Rouse Hill Anglican College is 1,300 children and that a Development Application has been submitted to increase that enrolment to 1,700 children.

The situation is that this is a very substantial education facility that generates significant traffic movements by parents, carers and staff. My observations have indicated to me that the 1,700 enrolment will fully tax the capacity of the access road system at school arrival and departure times.

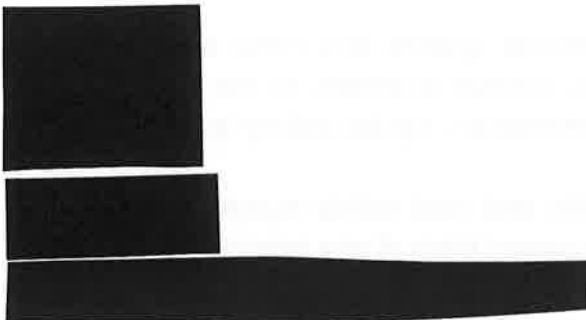
The provision of a new school on an adjacent site generating significant traffic at the same concentrated before and after school times, would in my view be negligent to the extreme. The compound traffic activity would only serve to exacerbate the potential adverse road safety implications which would be fuelled by driver frustration at the delays and congestion.

I have witnessed the frustrations which already occur at the Rouse Hill Anglican College frontage particularly at school departure time, and this would seem to be miniscule in relation to what would eventuate with another school in the immediate vicinity.

### Conclusion

In my professional opinion, it would be quite improper in terms of traffic planning and road safety to contemplate proceeding with the proposed school.

Yours faithfully

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