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ATTENTION: MINISTER FOR PLANNING, Mr Rob Stokes.

Dear Mr Stokes, we own a beachfront property on Pacific Street at Wamberal which was the subject of storm damage mid-last year.

We and other residents have serious concerns that the proposed Coastal Management Bill 2016 and the related SEPP will have serious impact on us and we know certainly that many, many other residents and voters share our views. Your deadline of 20 January, 2017 for submissions, particularly when many people are still on Annual Leave is potentially forcing us into a position of "extreme haste" in making such submissions.

Our residents Working Committee has identified the following key points which must be considered:-

- 1. The Coastal Management Bill 2016 and the related SEPP, fails to distinguish between the treatment of undeveloped land within the coastal vulnerability zone and developed land, particularly existing land in highly developed areas such as Wamberal;**
- 2. The proposed legislation is quite unsettling for residents living in the Coastal Hazard Area with ambiguous provisions such as 'ambulatory boundaries' [aka planned retreat]; 'time limited development consent'; 'beach nourishment' obligations; etc. open to mixed interpretation, particularly in respect of point 1 above;**
- 3. Coastal mapping is an integral part of the new Bill and SEPP and yet this aspect of the proposed legislation is deficient and inadequate, leaving residents in a serious state of uncertainty;**
- 4. In light of the above and given the critical nature of this Bill, which if enacted will affect the lives of many thousands of NSW citizens, we implore the Minister to delay the gazettal [enactment] of this Bill until these issues are comprehensively discussed and resolved.**

Clearly, with a deadline of tomorrow Friday, 20 January, 2017 there is definitely insufficient time to apply the appropriate Due Diligence to this extremely serious matter for the constituents. We appeal to your sense of fair play and better judgement to extend the deadline for at least 6 months, so that the position of all parties can be fully incorporated.

Thank you in anticipation of your favourable response.

Sincerely,

KEN E PEARSON

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