

To: IPART

Date: 1 October, 2021

Re: Narara Ecovillages – application to vary its network operator’s licence
And retail supplier’s licence

We would like to place our objection to the above application. Especially to the referenced article, “Extend the current area of operations to allow disposal of collected sewage direct to Central Coast Council’s sewer main”

The reason for our objection is mainly our great concern about unsolved existing sewage odour problem, seemingly from Narara Ecovillage.

We first experienced pungent, methane gas like odour on the weekend of Australia day, 2021. We never had this abominable and unhealthy smell in our life of approx. 20 years in this house.

We soon found this was not our individual household problem but it was a sewerage problem.

We have reported this to the CCC on number of occasions by us and number of neighbours and CCC promised to attend to it as soon as possible.

We appreciate CCC has been investigating the matter. However since then there has not been any major improvement or convincing explanation given. We are still experiencing a strong odour every so often, admitting the odour is more outside than in side house, these days.

It seems to be that Narara Ecovillages and CCC’s agreement to allow disposal of collected sewage direct to CCC’s sewer main line has already occurred since 2019.

We do not know the cause of the sewerage smell that we still are experiencing is relating to the Narara Ecovillage alone or other neighbouring developments.

Taking this opportunity we sincerely plea the relating organizations investigate and rectify the problem as soon as possible.

We look forward to hearing from you a positive response.

With best regards

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