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Subject: OJECTION TO INCREASE IN RAIL FARES

We John & Juanita Layman are daily commuters from the Blue Mountains to the City daily and would like to object to the proposed increases in rail fares as we do not think that the present service justifies these proposed increases.

Trains are slower from the mountains, passengers have increased now that the trains are stopping at extra stations to pick up/drop off more passengers and also the level of cleanliness is not up to scratch. Carriages are also frequently closed down because of vandalism.

Commuters normally have to stand from Penrith to the city because there are no seats available.

City Rail should think about increasing its efficiency before even thinking about fare increases. We spend \$110 per week between the two of us and with the proposed increases we do not think the increased fares are justified.

John & Juanita Layman