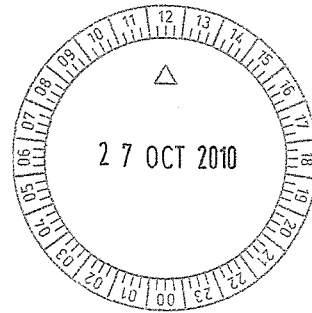


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Ms Linda Omar
Committee Clerk
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs.
Legislative Council
Parliament House
Perth WA 6000

Dear Ms Omar,

This letter is written in regards to the inquiry into the Cockburn Cement Ltd, Munster.

We have recently moved from South Lake to Beeliar, in March 2010. Since living in Beeliar, a beautiful suburb which we plan to raise our family in, we have noticed a significant difference in the dust in our house. We are quite certain that this excess dust is due to the Cockburn Cement Ltd, Munster. This is apparent as our front sitting room, currently the home to our newborn child gets quite a bit more dust than other rooms. The air conditioner in that room is on a South facing wall (which faces the plant) and the amount of dust that enter through the air conditioner is a worry for us regarding our health. We are concerned that this may lead to asthma, allergies, or other medical problems as a result.

During a seabreeze the odour from the plant comes straight into our backyard and through our aircon. It discourages us from enjoying our backyard and early evening walks around the suburb.

The presence of the plant is becoming concerning as people are starting to leave this lovely suburb due to the Cockburn Cement Ltd, Munster.

Thank you for considering our concerns,

John, Melissa and Olivia Van Dyk.