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## TECHNICAL MEETING DECCW Draft Road Noise Policy

The Date: Wednesday 21st July 2010

The Venue: National Acoustics Laboratories

126 Greville Street, Chatswood

The Time: 6.30pm

The Speaker: Mark Latal, NSW Department of Environment, Climate

**Change and Water (DECCW)** 

The NSW Government has released a draft Road Noise Policy for public comment. The draft Policy updates the current approach to assessing and managing road traffic noise outlined in Environmental Criteria for Road Traffic Noise, which was published ten years ago by the Environment Protection Authority.

The proposed Road Noise Policy aims to facilitate a more streamlined assessment process for road projects, increase protection for residents in quiet areas experiencing large increases in noise from road projects, and provide up to date guidance on strategies to minimise traffic noise.

The draft Policy has been developed by an inter-agency working group. The views of key stakeholders have also been considered in crafting the proposed new approach.

This presentation will outline the key changes proposed in the revised Policy and provide a forum for questions and initial comments. Written submissions can be made until Friday 6 August 2010.

The draft Policy may be viewed on the DECCW website at www.environment.nsw.gov.au/noise/traffic.htm. Additional copies may be obtained by telephoning the Department's Environment Line on 131 555.

Mark Latal has been a Senior Noise Officer within the Noise Policy Section of DECCW for 4 years. Mark has a Degree in Electrical Engineering and an environmental noise consulting background. Mark has contributed to the development of the draft Road Noise policy from its early stages through to its release for public consultation.

## 'ANYONE' is welcome to attend and refreshments will be provided RSVP FOR CATERING PURPOSES BY

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