



**Hon Craig Wallace MP**  
Member for Thuringowa



**Minister for Main Roads, Fisheries  
and Marine Infrastructure**

Our ref: PP1826-11

Your ref: Petitions

**19 DEC 2011**

Mr Neil Laurie  
The Clerk of the Parliament  
Parliament House  
George Street  
Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 1826-11 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Ms Mary-Anne O'Neill MP, Member for Kallangur on 30 November 2011, about noise barriers on the Bruce Highway between the Murrumba Downs and North Lakes exits.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads advises that for any new residential development built after an existing road is constructed, the requirement for noise barriers is normally the responsibility of the developer.

I am advised that the development application for the Northquarter Estate was referred to the department as a concurrence agency. The department imposed conditions requiring the developer to construct noise barriers in accordance with a Traffic Noise Assessment report prepared for the developer by consulting acoustical engineers. This was due to the proximity of the development to the Bruce Highway.

I am informed that the developer has installed noise fencing in accordance with the conditions imposed by the department.

The developer of Northquarter Estate is the most appropriate body to respond to any further queries on this matter.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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