Dear City of Darwin Council,

**THESE ARE URGENT FORMAL QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERING AT THE THIS WEEK’S FULL COUNCIL MEETING**

1. **WHY ARE THE CONTRACTORS CURRENTLY RECONSTRUCTING LAKESIDE DRIVE DEPOSITING REJECTED ROAD SURFACE WASTE MATERIAL INTO THE CATCHMENT AREA OF RAPID CREEK, NEAR THE CORNER OF TROWER ROAD?**

2. **WHO ON COUNCIL HAS GIVEN PERMISSION FOR THIS TO OCCUR?**

3. **AT WHAT DATE WILL THIS NEW POLLUTING, TOXIC, AND DAMAGING WASTE BE REMOVED FROM THIS CATCHMENT?**

4. **HAS THE NTG’S EXPERT (FINCH) COMMITTEE ON STORM SURGE FLOODING BEEN ADVISED OF THIS DUMPING?**
   
   (THE DUMPING IS CAUSING RISING GROUND LEVELS NEAR THE TROWER ROAD BRIDGE (CULVERT) WHICH FORMS A BOTTLENECK TO ESCAPING FLOOD WATERS. THIS IS A REVERSAL OF THE RETENTION POND BEING ENGINEERED AT GREAT COST BY THE NTG, AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE AIRPORT.)

5. **WILL THE DUMPED MATERIAL REMOVED, AND THE AREA REHABILITATED FOR PUBLIC ENJOYMENT, BY THE CONTRACTOR PRIOR TO THE CYCLONE SEASON?**

6. **WHO GAVE PERMISSION FOR THE DOUBLE GATE TO BE LEFT OPEN WHILST THE CONTRACTORS WERE WORKING?**

THERE WERE PREVIOUS EPISODES OF DUMPING IN THIS AREA, OF BROKEN ROAD SURFACE MATERIAL. RATEPAYERS UNDERSTOOD THAT THEY HAD PAID FOR COUNCIL, FOR THE INSTALLATION OF BOLLARDS ALONG THIS PART OF LAKESIDE DRIVE. THIS WAS EXPECTED SPECIFICALLY TO PREVENT A RECURRANCE OF PREVIOUS ROAD WASTE DUMPING BY CONTRACTORS IN THE CATCHMENT. RATEPAYERS HAVE PREVIOUSLY RAISED SUCH MATTERS IN COUNCIL, AND WITH COUNCIL OFFICERS.

7. **WHEN WILL THIS DUMPING ON COUNCIL LAND BE PERMANENTLY STOPPED?**
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