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## Parliamentary Secretary for Infrastructure and Cities, Transport and Roads

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Mr Alex Greenwich MP Member for Sydney Ground Floor 21 Oxford Street DARLINGHURST NSW 2010

## Dear Mr Greenwich

Thank you for your joint correspondence with the Lord Mayor of Sydney, Councillor Clover Moore, to the Minister for Transport regarding transport from the Pyrmont peninsula. I have been asked to respond to you on the Minister's behalf and I apologise for the delay.

I note Cr Moore's and your comments regarding the route 389 bus and the location of its stops in the city.

I am advised that Transport for NSW and Transit Systems, the route operator, have investigated adding another stop on York Street just after King Street travelling towards Bondi Junction. However, as this proposed stop is already highly utilised by other bus services, stopping the 389 service in this location is not supported as it would result in unnecessary delays to all services.

The F10 Blackwattle Bay ferry route was introduced in November 2021 to provide commuters in Glebe with additional transport options during the L1 Inner West light rail shut down. The F10 Blackwattle Bay ferry service stops only at Blackwattle Bay Public Wharf and Barangaroo Wharf.

The service operates every half hour between Barangaroo Wharf and Blackwattle Bay Public Wharf seven days a week using a MiniCat ferry (there is only one MiniCat in the Sydney Ferries fleet). The MiniCat vessel is crewed by two Coxswains and is the only ferry that can operate to Blackwattle Bay Public Wharf due to the load limit of the wharf.

To achieve the half hourly frequency, the service operates on a relatively tight cycle time, with a 13 minute journey time between the wharves and two minute dwell time at each end. This results in 26 minutes of operating time and four minutes of dwell time in each 30 minute cycle. The potential to expand the service to include an additional stop at Pirrama Park or increase the service frequency is limited without additional fleet.

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Your feedback regarding the introduction of additional stops along the F10 route will be considered as part of future planning, subject to operational and funding constraints.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely

**Mark Taylor MP** 

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