STREETER CRUISES - MR CHRIS NADEN - OPENING STATEMENT

My name is Chris, Naden and I have been living in and around Darwin for over 35 years.

My family and I have been running Streeter Cruises, a sunset cruise business for 15 years. I have also been running fishing charters for the last eight years. My area operation is Darwin harbour with views down towards East and Middle Arm. I fish all over Darwin Harbour, especially up the harbour arms. Fishing around Inpex has been greatly affected.

I am motivated to bring my voice against the Middle Arm Project in these areas:

- land clearing, (especially mangroves)
- increase pollution (air and in the harbour)
- taxpayers monies being spent on dirty and climate destroying industries
- creating another Inpex, affecting employment, no accommodation (all rooms booked out) and dredging operations affecting Darwin Harbour users.

These huge projects create a boom bust economy for Darwin. For most business is just all bust. Darwin becomes an expensive place to visit and live. With an NT election coming up, why not put the MAP to the voters, let them decide if it passes the social and environmental scrutiny.