

February 2, 2010

Committee Secretary  
Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

Dear Secretary

I am writing to inform you that the changes in flight paths in and out of Perth that were instituted November 2008 have had an adverse affect on living conditions in our suburb of Girrawheen.

The air traffic to this area has noticeable increased and the resultant noise has become a problem. I have not kept an actual log of the offending incidents but have on several occasions made my concerns know to Air Services Australia. There are flights leaving after midnight especially that have become disruptive to sleep.

I would ask you to consider making the flight paths more equitable and not so concentrated on our suburb. I am cognizant of the fact that our suburb is generally considered to be an area of lower socioeconomic status and can't help but feel this may have played a part in "targeting" our area.

Thank you for your review and I am hoping this means things will improve.

Regards,  
Joan Doherty