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Dear Mr Stott,

Please find attached a correspondence from the UNSW Pro Vice-Chancellor Research in response to your concerns raised regarding the BREATHE project (HC200477).

Best regards, Samela

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Mr Clive Stott <a href="mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com">cleanair@cleanairtas.com</a>

Dear Mr Stott,

## RE: Research Complaint -BREATHE Project (HC200477) - Kirby Institute

I refer to your initial correspondence to the UNSW Research Ethics & Compliance Support unit dated 08 October 2023, and your subsequent correspondence with Professor MacIntyre. Your concerns raised regarding the aforementioned project have been considered by the UNSW Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) Executive.

I am confident that appropriate ethics approvals are in place for this research, and that potential impacts on participants were considered by the HREC during the approval process.

Based on the available evidence and interim analysis of data, the HREC Executive have determined that no immediate corrective actions are required and that the project should proceed as planned.

Please note, the UNSW HREC will continue to monitor the project through a variety of mechanisms, including the review of annual progress reports from researchers, to ensure the project continues to align with the values and principles outlined in the NHMRC *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2023)*.

Kind regards,

Professor Dane McCamey FRSN FAIP

Pro Vice-Chancellor Research