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OBJECT

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Organisation: N/A	Key issues: <i>Social impacts, Land use compatibility (surrounding land uses), Traffic, Other issues</i>
Location: New South Wales 2578	
Attachment: N/A	

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Overall, the proposal is inappropriate for the selected site with substantial, long term negative impacts on the local community and environment. It should therefore be rejected or withdrawn. These concerns include:

The factory is proposed to be located within 150m - 200m from existing homes.

The site has highly sensitive environmental areas (Koala Habitat), and a category 2 riparian waterway that flows directly into the Wingecarribee River, the SYDNEY Drinking Water Catchment.

Close an Early Childhood Centre.

Trucks to deliver waste Mon-Fri 7am-6pm, causing more gridlock and damage to our already choked and failing roads. Further, the likely burden on local ratepayers for the ongoing maintenance and repair of surrounding

arterial roads is inequitable given the limited benefits to those ratepayers.

A similar concern applies to the intention of the operator to transfer sludge waste material from the factory to the

Bowral Waste Centre, with processing expected to be at ratepayer expense.

Detrimental effects on air quality from chemicals & micro-plastics, especially given the closeness to human habitation and child education/recreation.

The expertise of the company proposing to oversee and operate the site at best unknown and unsubstantiated. Based on the very limited information available publicly, the operating company does not appear to have the proven track record in this form of recycling, nor do they objectively have suitably qualified executive, management and staff required to operate the proposed facility in a safe and environmentally sustainable manner.

Unless these serious concerns are heard and fully addressed, the proposal is inappropriate for the selected construction site. In summary, these concerns require that alternate sites be identified and be subject to rigorous environmental and community/social analysis before being approved. It is obvious that Australia is in urgent need of solutions to the increasing problem of plastic waste. However, the proposed location for the Plasrefine facility is simply not the right site and the application needs to be rejected or withdrawn.