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OBJECT

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Organisation: <i>Suzie Anderson Home Pty Ltd</i>	Key issues: <i>Social impacts, Land use compatibility (surrounding land uses), Traffic, Other issues</i>
Location: <i>New South Wales 2577</i>	
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I am the owner of 3 retail businesses in the Highlands, two in the main street of Moss Vale. I employ 17 locals as staff and have a customer base that comes from all over Australia especially Sydney, Wollongong and the South coast and Canberra. I believe the decision to place Plasrefine in the proposed location will adversely affect our trade through the reduction of tourism to this beautiful area and the increase of truck and other traffic.

As it is, Moss Vale is struggling with traffic as it is a major thoroughfare to Wollongong and the South Coast. The council failed to go ahead with the bypass and already the continued development in this area has massively added to the traffic problems. If the town becomes clogged and tourists and locals have the knowledge of such a large (possibly polluting) installation within walking distance, the central township could die. Small regional business is already doing it extremely tough at present and has done so for the past several years. To add anything else that would make it tougher for the businesses to survive would be reckless. This will affect businesses, their employees, their families and the whole community.

I understand that these sort of industries are required but I cannot understand or condone them being established so close to community and in an area that relies heavily on others to visit. Im sure we would all rather pay via the public purse to have the infrastructure built to establish this sort of industry further away from families, large communities, tourism hot spots and environmentally sensitive areas. It does not make sense and is absolutely not fair to have the families and community pay in other detrimental ways. Please reconsider this decision. Its time to think outside of the square and make decisions that are long lasting with the minimum amount of stress and upheaval for our regional Australian communities.