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OBJECT

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I would like to object to the plastics refinery development proposed for the site at 74-76 Beaconsfield Road, Moss Vale.

I am not opposed to industrial development occurring in the enterprise zone. It has been known for over a decade now that this area was zoned for industrial use and technological advancement. To this date the existing developments have been of a smaller scale (factory warehouse type developments) or larger scale factories (mechanical processing, etc.). The industrial use proposed in this development is neither in keeping with the scale of the neighbouring industrial developments or in any way similar to the processing or storage occurring within the neighbouring developments.

A refinery development of this scale should be situated well away from residential neighbourhoods and have no potential opportunity of contaminating local watercourses (or indeed the drinking supply of Australia's largest city). Placing a development of this scale and type in a small rural and residential township is a complete failure in planning. The traffic alone for such a refinery would be best served by a direct road from a state highway, not from a minor road with access either through a small heritage town (Berrima) or a small country town with severely reduced road access (Moss Vale). Potential street access through residential neighbourhoods seems to be a planning oversight.

The potential hazards created by plastics refinery processing are significant including but not limited to the risks of fire and airborne contaminants. Hazards that would be best kept well away from communities and human populations. The fact that the local primary school is less than 2.6 kms away should be an immediate red flag. The catholic school is even closer.

This type of plastics refinery may be an important part of our future, and Sydney's future, but it should not be placed in a small country community with barely any infrastructure and a strong rural and outdoor ethic. A site specific property should be found which is well away from local communities and populations and definitely away from the water supply for an even larger population.

Thank you for your time.

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