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I am writing to vehemently oppose the proposed Plasrefine facility, a project that poses an immediate and severe threat to our community, environment, and health. The facts surrounding this proposal are alarming, and I demand that the local authorities take a stand against it.

Research has shown that communities near plastic processing facilities suffer from serious health issues, including respiratory diseases, skin rashes, eye disorders, and an increased risk of cancers linked to toxic plastic resin compounds. It is utterly unacceptable to consider placing such a hazardous operation within 150-200 meters of homes!

Plasrefine’s operations will release Airborne Volatile Organic Compounds, which are highly toxic and will undoubtedly harm our local air quality. With no existing infrastructure in the proposed area—just an empty paddock—this facility will wreak havoc on our already burdened roads. The projected 160-200 heavy vehicle movements and 240 light vehicle movements daily will cause gridlock and further damage our failing transport network.

Moreover, the location is fraught with contradictions: two incompatible zoning classifications—Conservation (C4) and an undersized General Industrial portion (IN1)—exist on this single lot. This site is not only inappropriate but also endangers sensitive environmental areas, including Koala habitats and a category 2 riparian waterway flowing directly into the Wingecarribee River, which feeds into the Sydney Drinking Water Catchment.

The scale of this facility—almost 8 acres with over 5 stories—so close to schools and an Early Childhood Centre is a reckless disregard for the safety and wellbeing of our children and families. Its 24/7 operation, combined with a staggering daily water usage of 46,300 liters and the disposal of 16,300 liters of contaminated water into an overloaded sewage system, is nothing short of environmental negligence.

To add insult to injury, Plasrefine operates under the guise of “recycling,” while in reality, they will be importing and processing 120,000 tonnes of dirty plastic waste from as far as Sydney, Canberra, and beyond. There is no Offensive Industry Licence, only an annual air quality audit—this is wholly inadequate for a facility of this magnitude!

The lack of genuine community engagement is equally troubling. This proposal requires a rigorous, transparent consultation process that encompasses the entire Local Government Area, especially the residents of Moss Vale, who will bear the brunt of this facility’s impacts. The misleading claim that this site is 3 km north of Moss Vale is unacceptable—it is well within our town boundary!

Lastly, let’s not forget the potential for decreased property values as no one wants to live near a plastic waste dump. The prevailing westerly winds could carry harmful emissions and unpleasant odors over Burradoo and Bowral, further threatening our quality of life.

*Who is Plasrefine? They refuse to engage with our community, leaving us with unanswered questions and justified fears. We cannot allow a company with 100% *** interests to jeopardize our health and environment without accountability.*



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I implore you to reconsider this proposal and prioritize the safety and wellbeing of our community over corporate interests. We deserve better.
