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I am writing this submission as i object to the Plastic Recycling Plant proposed by Plasrefine in Moss Vale.

My main concern is the environmental and ecological impact - especially because in Australia our standard for releasing toxic chemicals into the environment are weak. The chemicals and microplastics that will be released to air and water are massive and there does not seem to be any effective plan to contain these contaminants. For example that amount of toxic water that is to be continually released to our sewerage system- one that already is stressed, will be totally irresponsible. In addition the health and safety concerns of these synthetic chemicals and additives do not seem to be addressed and alone this topic should prevent the plan be approved.

Moss vale has for some time had a serious traffic problem, and the future added traffic from new housing and industry, already will make this issue significantly worse in the future. It is one that has not been resolved and is unlikely to happen in the near future, because of the set up of existing roads. This matter does not seem to be given sufficient attention given impact that will come from huge numbers of large trucks, that will be using these roads once the plant is built.

I am also concerned about the land use question concerning this plant. Council and the community prefer Councils plans for this land to be SHIP. This current proposal is far more devastating for the community and should not go ahead.

The need for a recycled plastics plant in Moss Vale has not been properly thought out. It is all very well to see it as an environmental need, but the cost to Moss vale and the surrounding environment must out weigh this benefit and should prevent it being built. More than ever it seems that federal intervention ignores the local community. In this case also our MP and our proper planing organisation Wingecarribee Council are also rejecting the proposal.

It is really undemocratic that their valid concerns are negated, because of a large business's wish (and one that really does little in terms of increased jobs). Allowing such a polluting business to be built in this area is wrong and shortsighted. Plasrefine had the choice to find a more suitable plot of land, and deal with its toxic its waste in a manner that did not degrade the local area or infrastructure.

I appeal to the Commission to listen to the many experts and specialists that are against this proposal and to refuse this project. I hope you will also listen to the wider factors as I understand that despite the need to deal with plastic waste, there are arguments that legislation is first need to encourage the use of recycled plastics, and concern that this plant will not be viable in the near future. It is important to consider if this plant really necessary at this time, in this place, in addition to the obvious problems it will bring to Moss vale and the community of the Southern Highlands.