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OBJECT

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Dear commissioner,

1 I totally object to a plastic recycling factory in the middle of an established community in A pristine environment, the southern highlands which is one of the major water catchment areas for Sydney and Goulburn . Our Sydney water and Goulburn water is already with forever chemicals. Why would you even consider making this thousands of times worse.

2. Plastics, including nano plastics and micro plastics have polluted the entire world already, they have been proven scientifically to increase the risks of cancer, autoimmune disease, and many other diseases.

3 Traffic, of course there will be vast destruction in local communities because of thousands of traffic movements bringing in thousands of tons of plastic waste and other waste and spreading all the contaminants around the community anyway.

4 lack of transparency and time to the local community to object to such a development. It seems to me state governments have been embarrassed because the Local community was successful in blocking the coal industry. I suspect this is a bit of payback but it is ridiculous in a civilised modern society to even consider destroying an area in retaliation.

5 Every aspect of this development goes against all environmental protection activities which need to be set in place and which need to be completely transparent.

6. Everybody in Australia agrees that we need recycling of all of our plastic waste because we owe it to our children and our grandchildren not to destroy their environment going into the future. It is not just a matter of not in my backyard but it is a matter of finding an alternative site. Australia has vast areas in the centre of Australia and with the appropriate approvals of all the associated parties and complete transparency and funding by all the polluting Companies We should be able to set a standard for the rest of the world as we have done with other significant societal Issues.

7. Apart from the ridiculous suggestion of developing a recycling plastic business in the middle of a built-up area in a pristine environment our ultimate aim as a nation and as a world is to stop making plastic again one has to be realistic. There are some plastics which are mandatory and they always will be, so many plastics are completely unnecessary unless we can develop a biodegradable plastic which biodegrades matter of weeks and then we wouldn't be in the situation in the world as we are today. Australian federal and state governments should lead the way for the rest of the world, why don't we take this on as a challenge and show the world what Australia can do . Whatever we do we have to act. We have to believe people such as environmentalist like David Attenborough who warned us many years ago that we have reached the tipping point towards the destruction of our globe. Why are we so stupid as a species that we didn't listen in time we have already fallen off the tipping points of many areas he predicted. Whatever we do, we have to act. We have to be fair. It's not just about not in my backyard but it's about the future and I don't want to leave, this problem to my grandchildren and their children. I am of an age now where it won't affect me because I will be dead but God help that is coming after me we are slowly destroying the world basically through greed yours sincerely Terry Gavaghan