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OBJECT

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To Whom It May Concern,

As someone who grew up in the Highlands, I am deeply concerned about the proposed Plasrefine plastic recycling facility in Moss Vale. This project highlights the critical need for thorough government processes, careful planning, and genuine community consultation for developments of this magnitude.

The proposed location so close to residential areas, schools, and Sydney's water catchment is ill-considered. The lack of detailed plans to address emissions, traffic, and safety risks demonstrates insufficient foresight. Suggesting that residents 'limit their time outdoors' to manage air pollution risks is simply unacceptable and reflects poorly on the planning and approval process.

As one of Australia's largest plastic recycling facilities, this project has the potential to set a national benchmark for sustainable recycling infrastructure. However, its scale and significance demand the highest standards of environmental and community safeguards. Without rigorous planning and transparency, this project risks undermining public trust in recycling solutions and creating long-term harm.

I urge the government to:

- 1. Reassess the location to ensure it is appropriate for a facility of this scale.*
- 2. Implement stricter environmental and social impact assessments.*
- 3. Require detailed, transparent engagement with the local community throughout the process.*

The Southern Highlands is a region of environmental and cultural significance. Any decision affecting it must reflect not just the urgency of addressing plastic waste but also a commitment to protecting communities and ecosystems. Proper planning and oversight are not optional they are essential.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.