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I am opposed to the State Significant development by Plasrefine Recycling Pty Ltd.

I live near Moss Vale, and I am incredibly concerned about the toxic facility that is proposed in this area of rural beauty, close to residential homes and high value agricultural land. This is a site I have spent many happy days surrounded by family and nature and the thought that it would be converted into a humming, light polluting, smelly, dusty monstrosity by people who do not even have experience in plastics recycling is BEYOND insulting to the local community.

Even those uneducated in such matters know that microplastics have emissions with health impacting chemicals. What about all the kids attending schools in the area? Elderly people trying to enjoy their retirement, families who have moved to the highlands for a peaceful life, now all terrified that they are going to be poisoned by toxic dust. There will without doubt be spills and accidents, you cannot guarantee this plant will be beyond human error. Where is the guarantee of safety for residents? Ordinary, hardworking Australians who do not deserve to suffer fear of cancer in the future, respiratory illness, skin absorbing chemicals or potential fertility issues. This damage is irreversible.

This abomination is proposed by someone who has a long history of environmental sanctions in China so it blows by mind why Australia would want to support a company with relationships with known polluters. This pristine and peaceful environment will be blighted with vehicular access issues, heavy industry and pollution. There will most certainly, like in many plastic factories be fires and how on earth will moss vale be able to mitigate this without even a permanently manned fire station in the vicinity. It is a waiting disaster.

I urge you to recognise this is NOT THE RIGHT SITE. Fine, recycle plastics, that is all well and good – but not here. Nobody I know in the community supports this proposal, so I ask you, how can it be allowed? Do not force this misery on the community and the local flora and fauna.

Kind Regards,

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