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**Subject:** Lithium Ion Battery recycling facility

Hi Ellen

# Submission regarding Development Application for Lithium-Ion Battery Recycling Facility at 61 Edison Road, East Wagga Wagga (Lot 9 DP 846835)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in response to the public exhibition of the State Significant Development Application for a recycling facility proposed at 61 Edison Road, East Wagga Wagga.

I am the owner of Moses & Son Woolbrokers, a tenant of The Pinnacles Temora Pty Limited, operating at the Corner Edison Rd and Dangar Place, East Wagga

After reviewing the Calibre Metals Scoping Report, available through the NSW Government Planning Portal, I have significant concerns regarding the potential impacts on air quality and the associated risks to health and safety.

Specifically, on page 21 of the report, under "Health, Safety, and Management of Risk," it is stated that mandatory respiratory protection or dust masks will be required until lapel monitoring confirms that air quality meets acceptable standards.

This statement alone suggests a significant and unacceptable risk to the surrounding environment and community during operations.

As a business owner operating approximately 850 metres east of the proposed site, I am extremely concerned for the ongoing health, safety, and wellbeing of my employees.

Given the nature of the materials to be processed and the indicated need for protective equipment, I believe this facility presents an unacceptable risk to nearby businesses and workers.

For these reasons, I do not support the approval of this proposal.

Yours sincerely, Martin John Moses Owner, Moses & Son Woolbrokers The Pinnacles Temora Pty Limited 28/04/25

Would you like me to also suggest a slightly stronger or more detailed version if you want to make an even bigger impact with Council? (For example, including suggestions for independent air quality studies, or referencing Council's duty of care to businesses?)

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## Health safety and management of risk

To keep exposure to any hazardous chemical, or any substance with an exposure standard, Calibre Metals will use a series of engineering controls, as listed below:

- Batteries will be contained within their original packaging when in storage.
- Operating equipment is situated in an enclosed building.
- Operating equipment is enclosed to contain dust within the equipment.
- Operating equipment is drafted to cyclones and the baghouse to contain, remove and capture dust.
- A scrubber system to contain and remove HF gas.
- Housekeeping will be routinely conducted in work areas, and all surfaces will be maintained as free as practicable of dust accumulation.
- Vacuum units are to be utilised for housekeeping tasks.
- Routine inspections will ensure adherence to site procedures and policies.
- Routine maintenance regime implemented to ensure equipment is operated efficient and effectively.
- Office and Amenities area is separated from process area.

Personal protective equipment will be used to minimise many of the risks to employees posed by dust exposure at Calibre Metals.

Operators will be required to wear the following mandatory PPE:

- Enclosed footwear with steel capped toes.
- Long sleeve shirt and long pants, or overalls.
- Hi-vis vest/shirt.
- Safety glasses.
- Safety hard hat.
- Hearing protection.

Initially, the use of a respiratory, or dust mask, will be mandatory until lapel monitoring demonstrates that the air quality is of a suitable level to negate the need for respiratory protection. At this stage, due to the engineering controls applied to the operating equipment, it is envisaged that the air quality in the factory will be of a suitable level that respiratory protection is not required, however staff may still use respiratory equipment if they chose

## Many thanks

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