OBJECTION

State Significant Development Wagga Wagga Lithium Ion Battery Recycling Facility Wagga Wagga City

- Installation of an enclosed battery recycling machine within the industrial building.
- Installation of a LPG tank.
- Installation of an evaporative water-cooling tower and 3 exhaust chimneys
- Fit out of existing office complex

Project Details

| Application Number | SSD-67983064 |
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| Assessment Type | State Significant Development |
| Development Type | Waste collection, treatment and disposal |
| Local Government Areas | Wagga Wagga City |
| Exhibition Start-End Date | 16/04/2025 - 13/05/2025 |

Online submission due by 13/5/25

https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/wagga-wagga-lithium-ion-battery-recycling-facility

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

What on earth has possessed the powers that be to think that it's a good idea to put a battery recycling plant anywhere near a town, let alone Wagga!

These things blow up sometimes, and as a result of the explosion, rain down a mix of toxic chemicals onto rooves, gardens, paddocks, water reservoirs, domestic rain-water catchments, dams and commercial water reservoirs. Who wants heavy metal contamination, or formaldehydes, phosphorous oxyfluoride or hydrofluoric aciss raining down on them???

This is a disaster waiting to happen, and not only will it be Wagga residents rained upon if it explodes, it can dissipate across great distances with atmospheric movement. Think Chernobel or Volcanic eruptions – the emissions cross oceans and continents. Just a few hours away we are vulnerable to this, and I am not one bit agreeable with the toxic chemical mix landing on me, or my property, or nearby farming properties, corrupting the soils. It shouldn't happen anywhere, and the risk is not an acceptable risk. Work out another way, or outlaw Electric Vehicles as they are now, and other batteries which are dangerous in favour of safer ones which can be recycled or disposed of safely.

Stop this rot at once! Net Zero is not worth the health risks. Killing people, even if it takes a long time (think asbestosis/mesothelioma), is not acceptable. This recent explosion (April) in Scotland is an

example of this totally unacceptable risk. **Coal is much greener than this madness,** and it seems to be being overlooked in light of these issues.

Let this serve as NOTICE to anybody with anything to do with making this decision that they are LIABLE personally and corporately, civilly and criminally for ANY damages done whatsoever, and for damages LIKELY to create issues at some future date.

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