

OBJECTION to State Significant Development

Wagga Wagga Lithium Ion Battery Recycling Facility

Wagga Wagga City

Project Details

Application Number	SSD-67983064
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

- 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

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

I totally disagree with the establishment of a battery recycling plant in or near Wagga.

I do not wish to be impacted by this in any way, should it explode, as has happened overseas. Just last month, one [exploded](#) near Glasgow, Scotland.

If I put hydrogen cyanide into a child's bottle, or someone's drinking water, I would rightly be sentenced for murder. Yet, if an explosion takes place, this is just one of the heavy metal or toxic compounds which would get into our water – like formaldehyde, phosphorous oxyfluoride, and hydrofluoric acid.

A facility like this should not be in an area such as this, and should probably be underground. This requirement in any case reflects the fact that we should NOT be pursuing Net Zero and the electric cars which catch fire and can't be put out, burning up all around them, until we get safer batteries which don't need these facilities to dispose of them.

Coal is sounding greener and greener every day – not to mention safer.

I object. You are on notice, legally, that if this happens, anybody with anything to do with giving permission or operating will be held personally and corporately liable.

Grant Bird
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