

Letter of Objection - Application Reference SSD 7462

BINGO Resource Recovery Facility – 13 Pembury Rd, Minto (Lot 1 DP 1013852)

I, Ross Alexander Nattrass, Managing Director of NGS Engineering Pty Ltd (NGS), established in 1984, initially located at 3/10 Pembury Road Minto, currently located at 3 Pembury Road Minto, since 1996, hereby object to the above proposal by BINGO Recycling Pty Ltd (BINGO).

Since BINGO have taken over the site at 13 Pembury Road Minto from Ausscrap Pty Ltd, they have steadily increased production on this site, with a street sweeper employed nearly full-time to try and I emphasise the word “try” and reduce the dust and contaminants leaving the site and from increased traffic, both entering and leaving the site, but still we have wind-blown and road-blown dust and contaminants in our factory and covering everything we own. All of our machinery are open slideways, that for optimum performance must be kept clean and any contaminants affect the performance and longevity of the machinery. Not to mention our clientele’s property stored whilst awaiting NGS to complete the desired work – some of these clientele include Unilever Australia (Streets Ice Cream – A food based industry), NSW Police Fleet Service vehicles and associated work, Kirk Group lithographic printers, to name but a few.

Rumour has it that the owners of BINGO were involved in ground contamination of land with asbestos on the states Central Coast, next to Mount Franklin Spring Water. What is not to say since BINGO has operated at Pembury Road and into the future, that they don’t do this again?!

As for recycling – what I have noticed are the fleet of BINGO skip trucks, front end loader rubbish trucks and other fleet of tipping trucks with dog loaders (most are urban cowboys), dumping their full loads of rubbish at Pembury Road, then B-Double dump trucks with a gross vehicle mass of 62 tonnes lined up in Pembury Road and our nearest cross street, Airds Road, waiting to be filled, to dump the contents in some big hole in Queensland.

The two bridges on Airds Road and Ben Lomond Road over the stormwater canals, are not rated for vehicles of 62 tonnes. Therefore, these B-Doubles travelling from Pembury Road to Queensland have to turn left from Pembury Road onto Airds Road, then at the roundabout, turn right over the railway bridge, turn right onto Pembroke Road, then right onto Rose Payten Drive, over the next railway bridge, then right onto the highway. This traffic is going to increase by approximately 700% and the only reason BINGO is dumping in Queensland and not in NSW is that the NSW government charge more per cubic meter to dump in NSW.

NGS is located near the intersection of Pembury Road and Airds Road, where there is also a café attracting more business. In order to purchase from the café, BINGO contracted drivers double-park and block driveways. They also take this corner with excessive speed. All of which, make it very dangerous for our staff and visitors to enter/leave our premises and BINGO wish to increase this by approximately 700%. The increased operating capacity would also require an increase in personnel, meaning there would be increased numbers of personnel, both drivers and administrative, that would need to park on the already busy Pembury Road.

Pembury Road often has fleets of LPG gas delivery trucks from Speed-E-Gas (Origin), and their semi-trailer LPG delivery tankers, also Foamco and their fleet of trucks and other established businesses of Pembury Road and their personnel, clients and transport issues.

In Victoria, the Recycling Centre SKM has experienced five fires within the last year, causing major health issues and resulting in proposed litigation. What is not to say BINGO does not suffer this now or in the future and if so, how would they and NSW emergency services cope?

In closing, I and the rest of the occupants of Pembury Road strongly object to this application.