

Energy from Waste Amendment Regulation preliminary consultation outcomes



The draft Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Amendment (Thermal Energy from Waste) Regulation 2021 was open for public consultation during February and March 2022.

The objective of the draft amendment regulation is to put into law the Government's Energy from Waste Infrastructure Plan, which provides strategic direction for the development of energy from waste in NSW, including identification of priority infrastructure areas.

This document provides an overview of the consultation process, including a summary of who we heard from and the key themes that emerged.

What did we do?



mailout to council,
industry and
community



public
submissions
process



stakeholder
survey



'Have your say'
webpage

How many people did we hear from?



341 submissions
from community
members



30 submissions
from businesses or
peak bodies

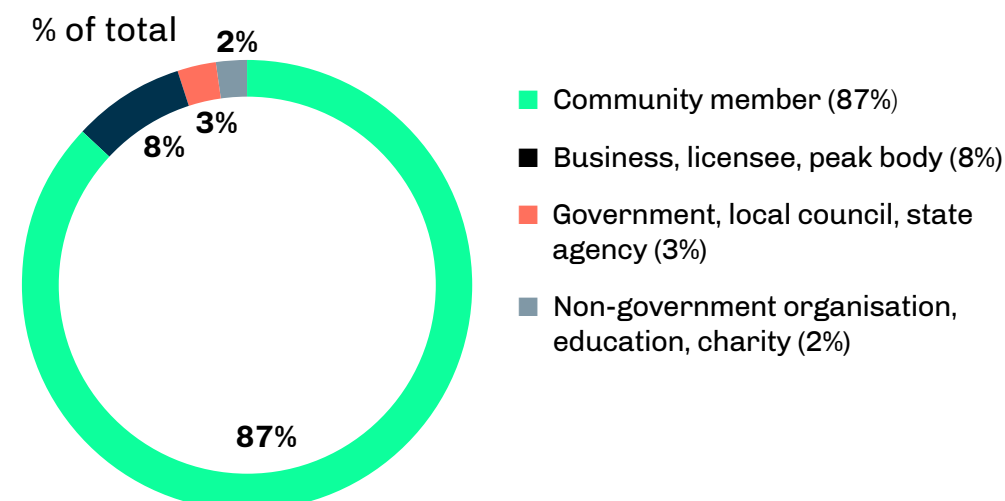


338 online
responses



54 emailed
written
submissions

Who did we hear from online?

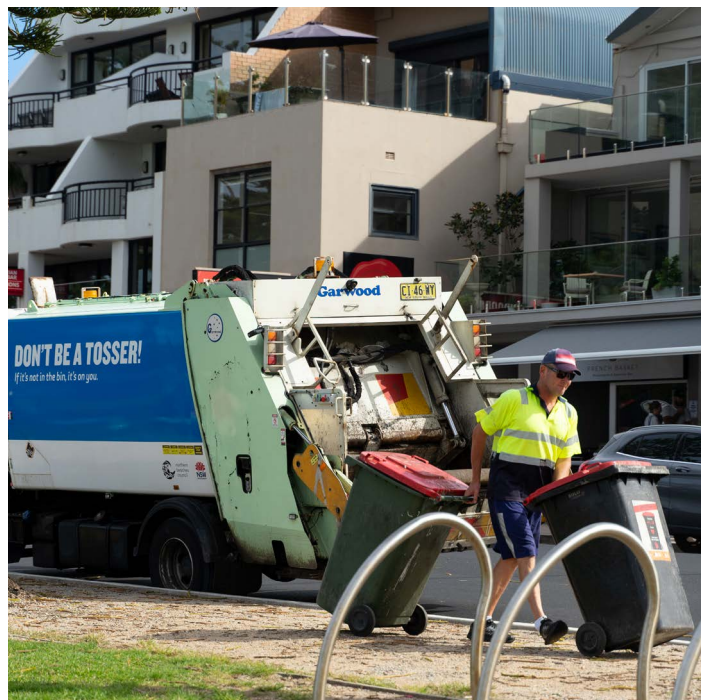
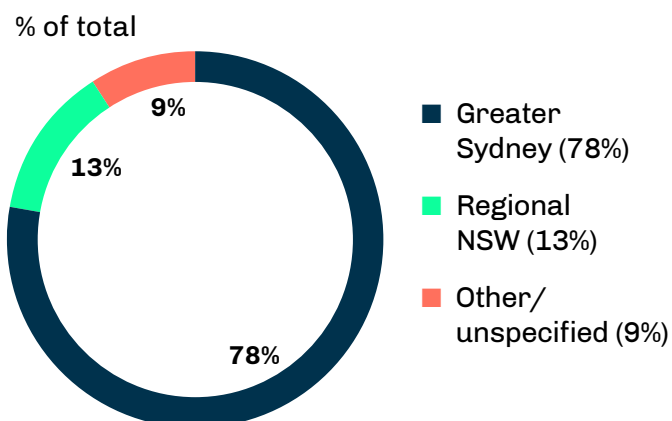


- Community member (87%)
- Business, licensee, peak body (8%)
- Government, local council, state agency (3%)
- Non-government organisation, education, charity (2%)

“ Certainty for
communities
and industry is
fundamental ”

Where were respondents located?

- Respondents were primarily located in Greater Sydney (78%). Other respondents were from regional NSW (13%), from other locations, or did not provide a location for their response (9%).



What did we hear?

- Issues around energy from waste regulation are important to the people of NSW – this includes environmental and human health, priority infrastructure areas and circular economy
- Consideration be given to refining the definition of some items in the draft regulation
- Stakeholders requested clarification on the process to Gazette infrastructure areas
- Stakeholders' concerns about energy from waste more broadly, particularly residents and community groups.

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