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[BULK] Take the Survey Form Submission

There has been a submission of the form Take the Survey through your NSW Environment Protection Authority website.

Name

William (Bill) Thomson

Organisation or business name

Individual

Position (job title)

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email address

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Which stakeholder group best describes you?

Respiratory disease sufferer

Do you support extending the summer petrol volatility period from 15 November - 15 March to 1 November - 31 March?

neither support or oppose

Do you support requiring older operations at EPA licensed industrial premises to meet the more stringent emission standards that apply to newer activities and plant?

neither support or oppose

Do you support the transition period (by 2025 to 2030) for these older activities and plant to meet more stringent emission limits?

support

Do you support expanding the geographic area in which controls apply

for the storage and transfer of volatile organic liquids to include the greater Newcastle and Wollongong metropolitan areas, so they are included in the area that requires petrol vapours to be captured during transfer of petrol between underground storage tanks and road tankers (the stage one zone in the Clean Air Regulation)?

neither support or oppose

Do you support the proposed new tightened emission limits and control requirements for all volatile organic liquid storage tanks, loading plant and tank vehicles regardless of age?

support

Do you have any other comments on the remake of the Clean Air Regulation?

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I submit that the terrible tragedy of the loss of about 500 lives each year due to Sydney's air pollution will not be reduced until domestic wood fire pollution is removed and this process cannot even commence until the Excessive Smoke provisions of the NSW POEO Act Div Sec, 135A is repealed and replaced with a quantitative measure of the wood fire pollution in a defined area around the emitter e.g. ug/ M3

What do you think are the most important sources of air pollution to address in Sydney?

Domestic wood fire POLLUTION

What do you think are the most important sources of air pollution to address in Newcastle?

don't know

What do you think are the most important sources of air pollution to address in Wollongong?

Don't know

What do you think are the most important sources of air pollution to address in the Greater Metropolitan Region?

Wood Fire Pollution

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William Thomson [REDACTED]

Comments on Draft POEO Regulation

Please accept the following as my submission on the subject.

I am most concerned that the draft regulations do not address the major source of particulate air pollution in most NSW urban areas - domestic wood fire pollution.

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Thank you,

Bill Thomson

A sufferer from respiratory disease