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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.

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**Which stakeholder group best describes you?**

General public

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

strongly support

**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?**

strongly support

**Comments**

From day one, after arriving from Switzerland on this faraway continent, I had to watch my late husband suffering from asthma. Australia's law in regards to the lung damaging coal dust particles is way too lenient and has to be

strengthened, it has to be in step with Europe.

One of my daughter, living here in the Hunter, has a lung problem and should be forced to move away from me in search for cleaner air. Then I also have grandchildren that deserve a cleaner future.

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

strongly support

### **Comments**

I would appreciate if it were the former. I'm not an expert, but find that coal mines had too good a run on the publics cost (health) for decades now..

**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)?**

strongly support

### **Comments**

Again, I'm not an expert in that area, but the suggestion sounds logical to me.

**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?**

strongly support

### **Comments**

Logically, and especially for tanks and vehicles that have been in use for years.

**Do you have any comments on the timing of the transition period for**

**meeting the proposed new requirements: • 2024 to 2027 for new storage tanks, loading plant and tank vehicles, and • the next major maintenance or 2027 to 2030 for existing storage tanks, loading plant and tank vehicles?**

For the sake of the public's health both these timelines have to be brought forward.

**Do councils wish to amend their listings in Part 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 1 to provide different levels of control of burning of vegetation and domestic waste in their local government areas?**

n/a

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

I find it quite unbelievable that companies like AGL and such have ever been able to ask for exception in the first place and had been except from following the law when it comes to coal dust particles at some stage.

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

Coal dust