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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

Comments

I think less polluting petrol should be used all the time. My vehicle is low to the ground and seems to pick up the emissions from other vehicles in the air intake. Frequently I have to breathe noxious smelling air inside my vehicle, when stuck in traffic.

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

I don't see why we wouldn't want better air quality. I can see no negative outcomes from enhanced air quality, whereas people die and are sick as a result of poor air quality. I don't see why older dirtier businesses should continue getting away with polluting more when there are alternatives.

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

strongly oppose

Comments

I think the transition period is too long and they have been given a 'business as usual' free pass. Delaying action has a cost that the community and society pays. The time for action is now. Maybe they hope to gain time to lobby against making any changes and this is just a delaying tactic.

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

Why should people in Wollongong or Newcastle put up with lower standards, just because they live in the regions. There are over half a million people living there and they deserve better.

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

I think Australia should strive to reduce emissions and have World's best practice. Plus, it's not helpful, if you are trying to encourage lower- emitting tanks, loading plant and vehicles; to make exemptions and give special consideration to the oldest (and worst) emitters.

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?

I think it would be simpler and fairer to have one date for all and I think that date should be no later than the end of 2025.

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

I would like Australia to have consistently high air quality. To have that, we need high standards and the right regulation, which is enforced. I am tired of seeing any environmental progress constantly delayed and stymied. There are only benefits from improving our air quality. The costs of poor air quality are not paid by the polluters.

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

Vehicle emissions, especially diesel and heavy vehicles, In winter, the wood-burning fires make a big difference to air quality and heavy industries, especially concentrated in some areas, really stink and you can see the smoke haze.. Power plants, of co

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

The coal mines and power stations plus heavy industry.

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

Heavy vehicles, heavy industry, power plants and wood- burning (including hazard- reduction burns)