Please find attached below my thoughts on Air Quality relative to the consultation paper:

- Self Regulation should be minimised; I say this because as an example Morgan Cement in Port Kembla would not have been prosecuted if local residents had not complained. Morgan Cement did not report the incident until it became evident that they needed to. I am sure the idea of letting the incident slip under the radar was considered.

- Promote electric vehicles in a manner which makes them viable for the family man and the every day vehicle user. This may mean removing taxes from the purchase price.

- Carry out studies of health trends in certain areas including the Illawarra. Focus on cancer clusters, respiratory diseases and blood disorders.

- The Illawarra suffers from the cumulative impacts of wind blown pollutants as air pollution migrates from Newcastle through Sydney and onto and into the Illawarra when the summer north easterly winds blow. This needs to be recognised and appropriate monitoring and subsequent action needs to be implemented. Note: the upper Hunter has 14 industry funded air quality monitors, Newcastle has 3 and the Lower hunter has 3 sites. Sydney has 15 sites but the whole of the Illawarra has only 3 sites.

- Any Development Application seeking to establish open stockpiles of raw materials should be rejected outright. All existing open stockpiles should be given a 5-7 year timeframe to either cover the stockpile or eliminate it. Those stockpiles such as those at coal loading facilities should be addressed in some way.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my concerns.

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