

Press release

GILG welcomes release of the Clean and Healthy Air for Gladstone (CHAG) interim Health Risk Assessment

The results to date included the interim Assessment are good news for those concerned about the health of Gladstone's air, but Gladstone Industry Leadership Group (GILG) members recognise that they need to continually improve their environmental performance.

The Chairman of GILG, Mr Glenn Schumacher said that, "Quite rightly community expectations of industry environmental performance continually evolve. So industry has to keep pace with these expectations by always looking for ways to get better."

Mr Schumacher said that GILG members accept that the right thing to do is to always strive to reduce the impact of their operations.

He cited one example of this as GILG's recently launched Clean and Healthy Air Management Program (CHAMP). He said, "This employee improvement suggestion scheme is focused on reduction of industry air emissions and getting the most value from them by sharing these good ideas across all GILG member sites."

He also said that GILG members welcomed the release of the Clean and Healthy Air for Gladstone (CHAG) interim assessment. This assessment rightly holds Gladstone industry and other emitters accountable for their impacts on the quality of Gladstone's air.

Mr Kurt Heidecker, the GILG CEO, thanked CHAG's Community Reference Community for their efforts to engage with the Gladstone community to agree the scope and approach used for this assessment.

He also said that, "This assessment tells the Gladstone community what they really want to know - what is the quality of the air in our community?"

The Gladstone Industry Leadership Group's members are:

- Boyne Smelters Limited – Australia's largest Aluminium smelter,
- Queensland Alumina Limited – the third largest alumina refinery in the world,
- Rio Tinto Alcan - Yarwun – the first green field alumina refinery to be constructed worldwide since 1985,
- Cement Australia – Australia's largest cement kiln, and
- NRG Gladstone Operating Services – Queensland's largest power station.

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