

## Community, employee and media information release – 5 August 2010

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### **GILG welcomes release of the Clean and Healthy Air for Gladstone Health Risk Assessment.**

The Gladstone Industry Leadership Group (GILG) welcomes the release of the Clean and Healthy Air for Gladstone (CHAG) Health Risk Assessment.

Members of GILG today reaffirmed their commitment to continue to improve their environmental performance.

GILG Chairman, Mr Glenn Schumacher said the report provided an independent and thorough evaluation of the air quality in the Gladstone region.

“As community members ourselves, we now have a far better understanding of the quality of Gladstone’s air and that’s good news for all people in our community.”

“The Queensland Government’s CHAG review is crucial as it is the first study to review the cumulative health impacts of all the emissions from industry and other sources”, Mr Schumacher said.

“While the findings of the report were reassuring, it doesn’t mean that GILG members are now going to sit on their hands. We’re continually looking for ways to improve our environmental performance. In fact, our members have spent about A\$1 billion on environmental improvement projects over the past five years.”

The CHAG report was based upon more than twelve months of data collected by the Department of Environment and Resource Management and a detailed analysis completed by the Queensland Health. The report was then reviewed by an independent air quality specialist from Victoria.

The members of the Gladstone Industry Leadership Group are:

- Boyne Smelters Limited,
- Queensland Alumina Limited,
- Rio Tinto-Yarwun,
- Cement Australia, and
- NRG Gladstone Operating Services.

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