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LOCAL MANUFACTURER DISMISSES CLAIMS OF P2/N95 MASK SHORTAGE IN AUSTRALIA



Pictured: Scott Hickey, Director, PPE Tech

Since the breakout of Covid-19 pandemic, there has been an air of uncertainty over the availability of protective masks in Australia. However, local P2 face mask manufacturer **PPE Tech** informs that there is no shortage of face masks in Australia.

[SYDNEY, NSW, August 9, 2021] — PPE Tech, an Australian manufacturer of P2 face masks, has recently dismissed all negative reports concerning the availability of protective masks across the nation. Since its inception in mid-2020, the company has taken a lead role in addressing the problem of the country's over reliance on imported personal protective equipment (PPE). With manufacturing and distribution facilities in Sydney and Brisbane, PPE Tech offers world-class face masks featuring 4-layer protection technology and capable of delivering over 98% particle filtration efficiency.

The regulatory authorities in Australia have set a relatively relaxed guidelines for the usage of face masks compared to the US, Europe and Asia, which recommend the use of respirator face masks. Along with N95 and KN95, P2 is considered to be highly effective for protection against air-borne particulate matters. However, some countries and jurisdictions have reserved these masks for their healthcare workers and frontline staff. PPE Tech believes that this approach has led to apprehensions about the availability of N95 and P2 masks.

In March 2020, Facebook and Google prohibited the advertising of respirator-type masks on their platforms to manage this 'so-called' shortage. PPE Tech believes that as a result of this false perception of shortage and advertising bans, local Australian manufacturers of P2 face masks found it extremely difficult to increase awareness about their products and reach potential customers. In the absence of government contracts and support from Facebook and Google, PPE Tech have resorted to radio and traditional outdoor advertising to get their message out about locally made P2 products.

“Australia is producing some of the best protective P2/N95 masks in the world, and there is an abundance of stock around the country. If you are worried about the availability of face masks in Australia, we would like to tell you that there is no concern whatsoever because the shortage is an absolute myth,” said Scott Hickey, Director at PPE Tech.

PPE Tech also informs that currently, there are 9 local manufacturers of P2/N95 masks in Australia. Moreover, there are many distributors of imported KN95 masks throughout the country. The company also urges all Australians to keep the pandemic at bay by using the right type of mask.

More about PPE Tech and its products can be found at <https://ppetech.com.au/>

About PPE Tech: PPE Tech was established in mid-2020 in response to the COVID-crisis and Australia's over reliance on imported PPE, such as face masks. Backed by a company with 30-years' experience in machinery excellence, PPE Tech was quickly established as a brand-new division with clean rooms, manufacturing and distribution facilities in Sydney and Brisbane.

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