As chair of the committee looking into the safe use of electronic cigarettes and e liquids, may I please bring a few issues to your attention.

Firstly, to avoid the requirement for testing and paying the fees, many companies have ‘gone through the back door’ by supplying 0mg liquids in larger containers (30ml to 80ml) and then supplying customers with an additional bottle of pure nicotine for the customer to mix themselves.

This creates many issues. No requirement to test as no nicotine involved in the large containers, hence what’s in it? Is it harmful in certain doses? Etc. as well as inappropriate advertising of the e liquids as no TPD compliance required.

Secondly, the use of nicotine ‘shots’ - small bottles of nicotine. These can be very harmful if either mixed by accident in higher quantities, swallowed by a child or a pet, additionally as it’s untested. what grade of nicotine it is?

In my view, supply of all stand alone nicotine for e liquids should be banned, and advertising should be banned for all liquid based smoking devices as these are the ones that appeal to children the most.

Pre-mixed and TPD stock would be the way forward.

Appreciate your work in this field.

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