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**RE Responses to supplementary questions from members**

**Inquiry into Energy from Waste Facilities  
Public hearing – 15 December 2025**

REMONDIS Australia Pty Limited (REMONDIS) thanks the Committee for the opportunity to provide further information in response to questions arising from the public hearing held on 15 December 2025.

REMONDIS provides the following responses to the Committee's supplementary questions. These responses are confined to matters within REMONDIS' direct knowledge and involvement.

**Question 1**

*Evidence was given that the technology proposed for NSW is the same as that operating overseas. What evidence was relied upon to establish that feedstock composition, regulatory requirements and operational performance at those overseas facilities are sufficiently comparable to the Parkes and Tarago proposals to support that conclusion?*

REMONDIS' evidence referred to the general EfW technology platform and principal plant components, which are widely deployed internationally, including in Europe.

In particular, reference was made to facilities incorporating:

- \_ Grate combustion systems;
- \_ High-pressure steam boilers;
- \_ Steam turbine generators;
- \_ Multi-stage flue gas cleaning systems; and
- \_ Integrated waste feeding and ash handling systems.

These core components and process configurations are standard in large-scale EfW facilities globally and are supported by extensive operational history.

It was not suggested that regulatory settings are identical across jurisdictions. Regulatory requirements vary between countries and states; however, modern EfW facilities are designed to comply with and adapt to the specific environmental and emissions standards applicable in their host jurisdiction.

Similarly, EfW plants are engineered to accommodate variability in feedstock composition. Municipal solid waste streams inherently fluctuate seasonally and over time, and contemporary grate-based systems are specifically designed to manage such variation within defined calorific value and composition ranges.

The evidence relied upon was therefore based on the demonstrated performance and widespread international application of the core technology platform, rather than a site-specific equivalence assessment between individual overseas facilities and the Parkes or Tarago proposals.

## **Question 2**

*Was any comparative assessment undertaken between regional and metropolitan siting options for large-scale EfW facilities, and if so, what evidence did it rely upon?*

REMONDIS did not undertake or commission any comparative assessment of regional versus metropolitan siting options in relation to the Parkes or Tarago proposals.

REMONDIS is not involved in those projects and therefore did not make any such assessment in giving its evidence.

## **Question 3**

*Which specific European EfW facilities or jurisdictions were relied upon in evidence, and what independently audited long-term emissions or compliance data from those facilities was considered when making comparisons with proposed NSW sites?*

No comparison was made between specific named European EfW facilities and the proposed NSW sites.

The evidence referred generally to the extensive deployment of EfW technology internationally, particularly in Europe, where several hundred facilities are in operation and additional plants continue to be commissioned.

The reference was to the maturity, regulatory oversight, and long-standing operational history of the technology class as a whole. It was not based on reliance upon independently audited emissions datasets from specific facilities for the purpose of benchmarking against the Parkes or Tarago proposals.

## **Question 4**

*What evidence has been relied upon to date to independently test assumptions about off-site environmental or health impacts beyond stack emissions during the assessment process?*

REMONDIS is not involved in the Parkes or Tarago projects and therefore is not in a position to comment on the specific assessment methodologies, modelling, or studies undertaken in relation to those proposals.

Accordingly, REMONDIS has not relied upon or undertaken any independent testing of assumptions regarding off-site environmental or health impacts associated with those specific projects.

**Question 5**

*What evidence was considered regarding community acceptance or social licence in deciding to progress EfW proposals within the Government-designated regional precincts?*

REMONDIS is not involved in the Parkes or Tarago projects and therefore did not consider or rely upon evidence relating to community acceptance or social licence in relation to those proposals.

More generally, REMONDIS recognises that major infrastructure developments require engagement with affected communities and compliance with applicable planning and approval processes. However, decisions regarding precinct designation and project progression are matters for project proponents and relevant government authorities.

REMONDIS appreciates the opportunity to provide these responses and remains available to assist the Committee further.

Yours sincerely,

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