

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE FACILITIES

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Submission to NSW Parliament – Opposition to the Parkes Waste-to-Energy Incinerator Proposal

To Whom It May Concern,

I write to express my strong opposition to the proposed Parkes Waste-to-Energy incinerator.

This proposal sends a clear message: that rural and regional populations are expendable. It is unacceptable that our health, environment, primary industries and way of life are being compromised simply because our population is not as dense as in Sydney. The “Powers that Be” have decided we are acceptable collateral damage.

Sydney is where the rubbish is being created. It is ridiculous it will be transported by a dirty diesel train daily through the countryside for the nearly 1000km return trip.

There have been other communities threatened with the same type of facility, but have successfully fought back, including within Sydney itself, and Lithgow. We are being sold the “clean energy” lie, and my fear is as other communities successfully reject the facilities in their area, the processing of rubbish will not be the stated 25% daily Sydney waste, but double that, and eventually up to 100%.

It’s evident that this site was chosen not because it’s safe; but because our voices carry less political weight. This can be seen by us as bullying by the Sydney-centric state government. No doubt you have received many factual and scientific submissions from others, but please don’t overlook the human side of this. We are people too and I’m concerned for my community in the Central West of NSW.

Our community should not be used as a dumping ground for waste that cities don't want to deal with. We deserve the same protections and respect as any other part of the state.

I urge the Parliament to reject this proposal and stop treating regional NSW as expendable collateral damage.

Yours sincerely

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