

**Submission  
No 578**

## **INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE FACILITIES**

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The Director, Select committee on Proposed Energy from Waste Facility

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I am a parent, grandparent, working within the Education Department and a local resident of Parkes. I grew up in Parkes on farmland and I love my community, and I have lived in this town most of my life.

***I am writing this letter to oppose the proposed Energy from waste Incinerator to be built in the Parkes region.***

***My major concerns*** are the impact this will have on the health of our community from the toxic emissions this facility may produce. My husband respiratory health will not be able to endure this. We would have to consider the fact that we may have to leave Parkes.

***Planning such a project out here in the country does not eliminate the risk, it just redirects the risk to another population. If its too risky for Sydney its too risky for Parkes.***

Especially the fact we are a food producing region.

***Water - Parkes is a dry part of the country that is regularly in drought.***

How much water is this incinerator going to use?

What happens when we are low on water, does this incinerator operate still?

What happens to all the rubbish when it can't operate due to shortage of water or there is a break down. Are we dumped with the rubbish anyway?

***Parkes summer weather pattern*** has a lot of hot westerly winds and westerly dust storms which cover the town. This seems to be a real threat to our safety with the incinerator adding to this.

If the Incinerator is not safe to be used in Sydney suburbs, then it is not safe for Parkes.

***The community hasn't been properly consulted and informed of this project.*** We should be able to have a guarantee of 100 percent safety, and if that cant be done then it should be a 'NO' to Sydney's rubbish.

I urge you to reject this proposal and choose a safer, healthier future for Parkes. Parkes has already started a healthier way of dealing with waste by our local dump facility recycling our green produce and white goods and building products etc. If every suburb, town and city did this you would not have such a huge problem with landfill.

Supermarkets are a major problem when it comes to soft plastics. Nearly every product or produce we buy is contained with plastic. Stop the production of plastic.

Thankyou for your attention to this important matter. I respectfully request a written response addressing my concerns.

Mrs Lindy Anderson