

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE FACILITIES

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I am against the Veolia Waste to Energy incinerator.

I have lived in Mount Fairy area for the last 22 years.

I have a trust issue with Veolia.

When Veolia introduced the Woodlawn Eco Precinct they promised there would be no smell. They have lied for over 20 years.

We were getting the smell most days when we complained. The EPA shrugged me off by saying it's "an inversion air layer" and "it just happens".

Our complaints were ignored. After putting up with the smell for about 19 years the waste to energy plan was mooted.

The smell was mostly eliminated. Only occurring about once a week or so which seemed to prove getting rid of the smell was possible, but apparently too costly. At the same time the EPA changed the way we report.

I am not a computer expert and found the complaint process difficult.

I would like to know, if the incinerator process is super safe (as we have been informed by Veolia). Why isn't the incinerator being built in Sydney where the rubbish is being produced? The money saved in the transport alone would make the idea more economical.

I have improved my land over two decades. I run cattle, sheep, a horse, geese, chooks and native wildlife. I fear the fallout from the incinerator will negate everything I have achieved. I fear the incinerator will affect my land, water and my lifestyle. I rely on the air I breathe and the water falling from the sky for my existence, the existence of my animals and vegetable patch.

All my water is collected off my land to fill dams and water courses and collected from my house and shed roofs. Any fallout from the incinerator and seepage from the precinct will pollute the water on land, creeks, rivers, ground water and ocean.

I am in the Sydney water catchment authority area (Shoalhaven river catchment). The incinerator will effect not only us, but the wider community including Sydney.

I don't trust Veolia to care about me or my neighbours.

We live in a food bowl, surrounded by large scale meat and cropping enterprises when something goes wrong with the incinerator how much damage will be done? After all we can't eat money.

I am worried about what will get burnt, it seems everything, so there is no control on what goes into the incinerator so no one knows what comes out, no one knows how small the particles will be so it is impossible to filter them out.

The "other than normal operating conditions" periods where emission standards don't apply happen for significant amounts of time during maintenance and other emergency conditions. What about these emissions?