

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

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To whom it concerns,

Our names are Jesse and Chelsea Magill. We are both 24 years old, newly married and the new homeowners of a beautiful house nestled in our family's 7,500 acres of farming land within close proximity of the Parkes township.

I, Jesse, work full time in my family's road transport and farming operations, largely revolving around the farm. I am the main manager of our cropping country that spans over 7,000 acres, and an additional herd of up to 1,000 cattle that also run on our properties.

I am the third generation to be taking on this role, working closely with my father and family to maintain and cultivate this lucrative and valuable land.

In recent years we have seen solar farms creep closer to our properties, taking up beautiful farming country and shading out areas of our view of the region in black. It is frustrating and a threat to our properties, but the Energy From Waste Facility is far more concerning.

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I, Chelsea, moved from Wollongong to Parkes 10 years ago. My family and I fell in love with Parkes in an instant moving to a home perched on _____ with a beautiful view. This is still my parents' home which could soon have its view taken over by the Energy From Waste Facility.

On arriving here, I was enrolled at Parkes Christian School where my now-husband attended with his 2 siblings, later learning his father attended and his grandparents established the school. 10 years later and happily married, I envision our future children to attend this same school – although I never imagined it could have a huge incinerator looming nearby.

Invested now in farm life and what Jesse and I build together, the prospect of having our community so heavily impacted by this facility is extremely nerve-wracking and disheartening.

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Together we raise our concerns with relation to our homes, our family farms, our schools, and our community interests.

We raise concerns with relation to air quality, the landscape, the environment and the value of our lively hoods.

We raise concerns with relation to our farms, our crops, our livestock, our soil, our property values and our family's ability to sell our stock and grain.

We raise our concerns with relation to the school we and our family members attended and will attend along with countless children throughout the community.

And we raise our concerns about the future of our town and our community. The community has already given up 12,000 acres of beautiful farming land for the Special Activation Precinct, without counting the land that has also been overtaken by solar panels.

If this land is going to contribute to positive growth of the town and the community, we need to be encouraging and accepting businesses and industry that set an example and ONLY bring benefits to the town and the area.

There are so many businesses out there that would only bring positive things to the town and the area. The fact we have to discuss negative side effects of anything coming to Parkes to this extent says upfront that it isn't the right fit.

As a result, we write together to inform that we do not support the Energy From Waste Facility.

From Jesse and Chelsea Magill