

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE FACILITIES

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I am writing today to express my concerns and opposition of the energy to waste incinerator proposal for Parkes NSW. I am a parent and business owner and lived in Parkes my whole life, our business provides mechanical repairs and sales of small equipment and, motorcycles and side by sides to the agricultural industry. We also have acreage which we hobby farm with alpacas, sheep and chickens. I worry about the long term impact this type of facility will have on environment, waterways, soils and the pollution and dioxins emitted from this facility, I am scared about the health implications to our younger generation. I worry about the impact to our water supply as we use and rely on our tank water for drinking. This facility has not need guaranteed 100% safe from the EPA. I am so very angry that such a facility can be banned in places like Sydney yet be proposed in rural areas as safe like we are second class citizens. Most of the grain, meat that is produced in Australia and exported comes from area how can we say it is 100% safe and there will be no contamination.

How is it our problem to be the area for Sydney's waste, how is it not safe for Sydney but here, it cannot be economical to cart rubbish over 600 kms for burning.

I think these type of facilities are not the solution and should be banned everywhere not just allowed in certain areas, there are better solutions to Australia's and Sydney's waste problems, that will not effect the environment and health of human beings and animals.

Our council and the government have had very little consultation with the community, like it has been hidden for the residents up until earlier this year when it has been going on since 2019 which I think is a disgrace, Thank you for considering my concerns and hopefully we can stop these facilities of burning waste entirely