

Submission
No 705

**INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE
FACILITIES**

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Submission – Objection to Parkes Waste Incinerator Proposal

To whom it may concern,

My name is . I live in Parkes, where I own my home and am building a future with my partner. I'm a former builder and now working as a train driver. My parents also live here, and like many locals, we've chosen Parkes for the lifestyle, the clean environment, and the connection to community.

I'm writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed waste incinerator.

This project raises serious concerns for me, especially around health and long-term impacts on families who live and work in the area. My partner and I suffer from seasonal health issues, and we have young nieces aged 1 and 4 who will be growing up here. In 2027, the eldest will be attending Parkes Christian School, which is just 5km from the incinerator site. The thought of them breathing in potentially harmful emissions so early in life is incredibly worrying.

We also have elderly family members and others with health conditions, the is adding to their mental health daily. The added stress and environmental risks could significantly impact their well-being.

We've chosen to invest in Parkes because we believe in the future of this town. But this proposal is making families like ours question whether it's safe to stay. That's not right. Who will compensate me for my house resale decline and loss of income?

Outside of work, I enjoy water skiing and camping with friends and family it's a big part of how we connect, unwind, and enjoy the natural beauty of the region. These outdoor activities are only possible because of the clean rivers, fresh air, and peaceful environment we're lucky to have here. The thought of industrial pollution putting those simple pleasures at risk is upsetting. We don't want to see our local lifestyle damaged by something that doesn't belong in a regional, family-focused community like Parkes.

Please put the people of Parkes first. We deserve clean air, a healthy environment, and confidence in the future of our region.

Sincerely,

Parkes, NSW