

Submission  
No 734

**INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE  
FACILITIES**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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## **To Whom It May Concern,**

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I was born and raised in Parkes. I've lived here my whole life. I grew up on our family farm, where I continue to work alongside my family, I also work for a local stock and station agent. Agriculture is at the heart of my life and this community.

All of that is now at risk because of the proposed Energy from Waste (EfW) incinerator. The risk to our health, environment, and agriculture is enormous. If toxic emissions like dioxins and furans contaminate our tank water, grain, or livestock, it will be the end of farming in this area. Land values will plummet, our produce could be rejected by markets, and confidence in local food production will be lost. There will be no future in agriculture here.

My job at the stock and station agent would also be at risk. If farmers can't produce clean, trusted livestock, stock numbers at the local saleyards will fall, affecting not just individual farms, but businesses across the region. The ripple effect will damage our entire local economy.

Why should an EfW incinerator be built in Parkes to burn 600,000 tonnes of Sydney's red bin waste? This isn't our waste and it shouldn't be our burden. The EfW incinerator was rejected for Sydney, if it wasn't safe enough to be built there, we don't want it here either. Why are Australia proposing to build EfW incinerators at all when they are being decommissioned overseas and production of them ceasing.

If this incinerator goes ahead, my future in Parkes no longer exists. I would be forced to move away from the only home I've ever known.

I strongly oppose this proposal for the health of the Parkes community, the local environment and the large agriculture industry that currently exists here. Save our town and my future by rejecting the EfW incinerator.

Sincerely,

Parkes Shire NSW