

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

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Our family has lived and farmed in Tichborne, 12 km south of the Parkes Special Activation Precinct for 100 years on 24 November 2024.

Over the past 100 years, each generation of our family has farmed and cared for the land and stock responsibly, producing wheat, barley, canola, sheep for wool and meat and cattle.

The Parkes Shire in Central West NSW is highly regarded for its consistent high level of food production and is part of the historically recognised wheat belt in Eastern Australia for over 150 years.

The proposal to incinerate Sydney's non recyclable garbage in Parkes Shire is not appropriate and puts at risk one of Sydney's key food sources - the Parkes region.

The extreme risk of poisoning the land, crops, stock and our residents in one of Australia's best food producing areas is very real. The potential risks of an incinerator have been well documented in Australia and overseas. The risk to the Parkes Shire population of 15,000 people, as well as the population of the 100km fall out zone is very high and in itself reason to not proceed with.

The incinerator proposal was deemed unsafe and totally unsuitable for Sydney, and is banned across NSW with the exception of specially selected areas including Parkes and Tarago.

An incinerator in Parkes will result in a substantial Australian food source being downgraded through poisoned land, crops and stock - it will take away the value of our produce and devalue the land, further reducing Australia's agricultural ability to be self sustaining, all in the name of disposing of Sydney's waste outside Sydney.

Please, stop any and all proposals for a Waste to Energy incinerator in Parkes.NSW now.