

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE FACILITIES

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As a long time resident of Parkes - I am extremely disappointed that our Government, Parkes Shire Council could even consider approving the construction and operation of an energy to waste incinerator. This proposal to burn rubbish in our environment is totally unacceptable. Our shire is a food producing area and must be kept as clean as possible. Monitoring of emissions on an irregular basis is, not only unacceptable, it will be ineffective because any atmospheric contamination detected will obviously be too late to save atmospheric and land contamination.

The cost and safety of transporting waste from outside our locality is not acceptable and in its self creates more pollution and is a safety risk in its self. The indicated 600,000 tons per annum - I believe is on a starting figure.

If this incinerator is to go ahead - waste potentially can come from all over Australia - not acceptable.

There has been little communication or clarification as to what will happen to the residual from burning - storing and burying is an environmental issue in its self and should be totally avoided.

This whole project/proposal is only a "bandaid" solution. Please address the real cause of waste generation - educate our population as to the correct and acceptable procedures for waste.