

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

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I wish to express my serious concern for the potential establishment of the energy from waste facility in Parkes.

This proposal is causing significant angst within our community. Regardless of the potential for this to be a safe mechanism for dealing with Sydney's significant waste problem, it is yet to be proven so, and the cost to the Parkes community if indeed it is shown to be not, would be catastrophic.

In the interim period prior to proving the safety of this technology, the costs to Parkes will already be significant. There is a large cohort of residents, who are not willing to wait to see if their housing and rural properties will be significantly devalued as a result of either particle pollutants, or even the perceived risk of such. I know of many families who have indicated their eagerness to leave the Shire, should this facility be established in Parkes.

Ours is one such family. We live in Trundle, approximately 60km from the proposed site, and well within the fallout zone of particle matter. My wife and I have 5 children and we farm 2200 Ha, being a livestock and cropping enterprise. We both play significant roles in the vibrant community of Trundle. Personally I am the

I am the President of _____ and President of _____. These are all roles I would be relinquishing, should we opt to leave the area.

Not only would our local school lose our 5 children, but also the four children of our close friends who have also indicated a desire to leave if the Incinerator goes ahead. That is 10% of the school just that we know of!

If the technology is deemed to be safe, I just cant understand the need to truck it 300km west at great expense, rather than create energy for the people of western Sydney.

However, the main point of my submission, is that regardless of the safety outcomes of an established incinerator, there will already be significant loss through devalued properties and loss of valuable members of our communities.

People are just not willing to wait around and see if this will be a catastrophic policy failure.

Kind Regards