

Submission
No 934

**INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE
FACILITIES**

Name: Name suppressed

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Partially
Confidential

I am writing to formally object to the proposed construction of a waste incinerator in Parkes or anywhere else in NSW. As a resident of this community and part of a large agricultural area, I have serious concerns about the significant risks this facility poses to our health, our animals, and the sustainability of our local environment and livelihoods.

Waste incineration is known to release harmful pollutants, including dioxins. These substances are toxic even in small amounts and have been linked to cancer, respiratory illness, heart disease, and developmental problems in humans. Once released, these pollutants settle on soil, crops, and water sources—meaning they can easily enter the food chain.

Such contamination does not stop at people. Our pets, livestock, and wildlife are equally at risk. Animals grazing on contaminated pasture or drinking affected water may ingest dangerous toxins, leading to illness, reduced fertility, and even death. The impact on agricultural productivity could be devastating, compromising both the safety and marketability of locally produced food.

We grow our own fruit and vegetables and have our own chickens from which we eat the produce from these sources. We are a young professionals who have been raised in the central west. We are looking at starting a family. We will not be remaining here in Parkes if the “Energy from Waste Plant” - Incinerator goes ahead.

For these reasons and many more that are not listed here. I am strongly against this going ahead in Parkes or anywhere else in New South Wales.

Kind regards,