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**INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED ENERGY FROM WASTE  
FACILITIES**

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A waste facility burning garbage of any sort is a terrible idea. A waste facility located in Newcastle burning Sydney's garbage is just insulting. Newcastle does not get its fair share of government funding. All our money goes to Sydney to be spent on Sydney. Spending our money to build a facility to then burn Sydney's garbage just reinforces the reality that the NSW government does not care about Newcastle.

Tomago is right next to the Hunter wetlands. The Hunter wetlands were named as a Ramsar site in 1984. They qualified to be a Ramsar site because they support nationally and internationally listed threatened species, including the Australian Bittern, green and golden bell frog, and estuary stingray. Building a waste incinerator next to a site would damage the ecosystem hosting these threatened species.

Waste incinerators produce pollutants and gases that are harmful to human and environmental health. Hauling the garbage from Sydney to Newcastle would produce extra emissions, not to mention increase congestion on the already strained M1. Climate change is one of the biggest threats to the world. Willingly contributing to climate change is unconscionable.

I don't support building a waste incinerator anywhere. Its impacts on humans, animals, and the environment are unacceptable. Building an incinerator in Newcastle to burn garbage from Sydney is enraging. Can anyone considering building this plant say they would gladly live next door to one?

Please don't build this waste incinerator anywhere, especially Tomago. It's a bad idea and the benefits don't outweigh the downsides.