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Subject: Incinerator Proposal for Western Sydney - the Energy from Waste Facility at Eastern Creek
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My name is Helen Fone and I was born in 1959 and I lived for the first 4 years of my life in Auburn.

My parents wanted a better life for my younger brother and myself and so bought half an acre in Rooty Hill in the early 1960's.

I have lived in Rooty Hill, Mt Druitt Village and now in Minchinbury (since 1993) with, first my parents and then my husband and then our family.

We have raised three adult children, two of which still live at home.

My grandson lives with his family in Erskine Park. We are all proud of Western Sydney.

My parents worked tirelessly for the betterment of Rooty Hill when they came back to the area in the early '60s. My mother had been born and raised in Rooty Hill and so the move back to Rooty Hill, was her coming home.

They both joined the "Progress Association" and in later years "The Residents Action Group".

Their commitment to the area saw them recognised with Haleluka Crescent in Plumpton being named after their surname. We are very proud of everything they have done.

Sadly my dad passed away in December 2015 at almost 92 and mum is now almost 87 so they are no longer able to stand up and be counted for saying no to this dreadful proposal which has already gone before the Planning Commission.

Western Sydney Councils have spent time and money in establishing the Western Sydney Parklands across various Council areas. This has been a wonderful gift to our communities. It encourages families to come together to enjoy the outdoors and the fresh air of Western Sydney. This is a great opportunity for many families who have homes on small blocks and little or no land for their family to enjoy the great outdoors.

This senseless proposal to build the world's largest incinerator in our back yards is a gross miscarriage of justice and an insult to the people who care so much about where we live and raise our families. We were pleased that our local council saw no merit in the Proposal and did not pass it and so too the Department of Planning and Environment.

The Poolberg Incinerator Plant in Dublin has had a massive plant incident. This is one of many from around the globe that I am sure, you being well read, are all fully aware of. If you are not please read up on them as the impact that this incinerator may have, will be far greater, as it is proposed to be far greater in size, capacity, traffic movements in and out etc.

What are to expect if we get this Incinerator here, so close to homes, schools and playing fields, and we also have the Prospect Reservoir to consider? Our drinking water!!!

Our local Council- Blacktown, rightly refused to pass the Application as approved. They were putting the residents first. They were thinking of the environment and the infrastructure. The road system barely copes with the traffic that currently uses it and yet how many extra movements per day were expected to be carried on those roads with regard to getting the waste to the Plant?

Also, it would appear that there are no satisfactory, up to date, Australian standards in place that the proposer must abide by, so then, that surely tells us, that we, as an enlightened people, are not ready for this proposal to be just pushed through because they have to be given due

process.

The way we are already impacted in this locality by poor weather means we have low lying fog for many hours in the colder months. This would only be further impacted when there are emissions from the Plant. No one wants to see a rise in children's asthma or any other associated health conditions for our elderly. We have schools, playing fields and residences so very close to this proposed facility. Are we then, forever confined to indoors when the facility operates in the colder months or poor weather conditions?

Please stand up for us, as we are the ones who will be greatly affected, we are the ones who have much to loose if this proposal goes through.

At 58 and 61 years of age, we don't want to sell up and move and start again. We are in our "forever" home and to start again will take too big of a chunk of money- it would go on agent fees, removalists and Stamp Duty.

What ever time we are here for, we want to live where we choose to build. We have a twenty five year investment in our home and to take away our quality of life is grossly unfair. No one whether it be in Western Sydney or any other part of Sydney should be content with having an Energy from waste facility in their back yards. We need to eliminate and reduce waste not find ways such as this to maintain reasons for continuing to produce waste.

Please, please think very carefully as to how this application is processed from here on, as it is certainly not what we the residents of Western Sydney, expect, need or want in our back yards.

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