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Ref: Veolia's Power Proposal

To whom it may concern.

My name is Mark Lambert and I live on Colo Road, Colo Vale in the Southern Highlands.

I have a primary producer property and I currently run Kalahari Goats on my property.

I was recently made aware of the proposed application by Veolia to build a large waste to power generating plant at Tarago, which will be powered by waste transported by road from Sydney.

Along with many residences in the surrounding areas, I am opposed to this proposal on a number of major issues, which are as follows:

- a) Veolia's waste to power proposal will generate unacceptable levels of pollutants 24 hours a day, seven days a week for the next 25 years. These will spread throughout the region from Canberra to Goulburn including to where my property is.
- b) Pollutants from this inefficient proposal will include toxic metals, acidic gasses and heavy metals, which can lead to major health issues for humans, farm stock, wildlife and will accumulate in the environment, including water ways and dams over time.
- c) This proposal will create over 2 million tonnes of toxic waste ash including 380,000 tonnes of fly ash, which is classified as hazardous waste by the EPA. A majority of this waste will be dumped on site creating further contamination to the soil and waterways. Veolia's track record on polluting local ground waters is very poor as noted by the EPA on previous occasions. Veolia's track record proves they can't be trusted to safely manage toxic materials.
- d) We have been advised that over 100 trucks a day will transport rubbish from Sydney to the site, which is over 200 kilometres away and other trucks will be taking the toxic residue to another site to be dumped. This will create a potential safety issue for road users and locals, damage local roads plus add additional pollution from the trucks and the massive amounts of fuel used, what a waste.

Should someone from your department wish to contact me please do not hesitate to contact me on 0414 778778.

Yours sincerely



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