

My name is Sarah Elward, and I live at Rosehill, 156 Taylor's Creek Road, Tarago. I strongly object to Veolia's proposed incinerator being built at Tarago.

It is personally believed that Veolia's toxic industrial waste incinerator will negatively effect the community and environment.

These effects include but are not limited to:

1. The proposed incinerator will emit toxic pollutants year round, for 25 years. The Eastern Creek was incinerator in Sydney was rejected by the NSWIndependent Planning commission as not being in the public interest. Just because it would be constructed in a rural location, does not mean that it is ok. If the people of Sydney don't want it, what makes Veolia believe it is acceptable to build one in Tarago?
2. The community has already been significantly impacted by infrastructure present at Veolia - is it fair that we will continue to be impacted?
3. The current arrangement is flawed - trucks transport waste from the intermodal to the pit, which in itself contributes to GHG's. If Veolia were concerned about GHG management, there would be alternative systems in place. Realistically, where does the community draw the line with what is socially acceptable? Does this show that Veolia care about the community or have the intentions of their business at the forefront?
4. Environmentally, there are no positive impacts of the incinerator. I am very concerned about the contamination of groundwater and soil.
5. Have other options been considered or has Veolia proposed an unreasonable, unrealistic, poorly researched project? Is it really the best option or the easiest, quickest solution? I believe that more consideration must be given to the project itself, including providing the community with correct, raw statistics and data, detailed information of the impact on both the communities health and the environment as well as the economic impact of the project.