

I write to object to Woodlawn ARC: SSD-21184278 on the following grounds:

- 1) The NSW Government should be striving to demonstrate the highest standards in environmental protection and advanced technology rather than allowing NSW to be a dumping ground for this, or any other, failed technology. Veolia itself admits that emissions from the facility, if approved, would exceed allowable pollution limits and that they are unable to prevent this.
- 2) Toxins from the facility would contaminate regional vineyards and farms, damaging the marketability of their products in countries that set high environmental standards for consumables. This would further degrade Australia's reputation for "clean and green" produce.
- 3) Fallout from the facility would damage sensitive environments including Lake George and the Nadgigomar Nature Reserve.
- 4) NSW has demonstrated repeatedly that it lacks the will and capacity to enforce its own environment regulations. The existing Veolia facility is regularly in breach of regulations but has not yet been forced by the NSW Government to cease operation pending a return to full compliance. We could expect the same slack approach to regulation enforcement to apply to breaches in the operation of an incinerator.
- 5) The proposal runs counter to the recent agreement by Federal, State and Territory Environment Ministers to work towards a circular waste economy.

I have made no reportable political donations in the past two years.

I acknowledge and accept the Department's disclaimer and declaration.

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