

To Whom it may Concern,

My Name Is Michael Jeffrey and I live in Lower Boro NSW 2580.

I strongly object to Veolia's proposed incinerator being built in Tarago.

Veolia's toxic waste incinerator will be detrimental to our community and our environment. Incineration is a step backward and should never be considered. The Health of the environment , our community, our region, our personal health and the everlasting footprint of such a toxic facility would be devastating.

Veolia has proven time and time again that they can not be trusted to do what is right for the community. The constant offensive odour from their site has caused a great deal of distress to myself, my family and the community, Veolia's trucks are destroying our local roads that were never made to cope with the added weight. My property is ~18kms in a direct line away from Woodlawn and we get the putrid stench of decomposing organic material at our property. More so when there is north westerly winds. It settles in the valley when there is no wind and is unpleasant. No matter how many complaints they receive from our community, nothing seems to change. My children had to change schools due to the sickening rubbish smells causing constant headaches from the trains sitting opposite the school during school hours. Veolia has proven that profits come before the community. How can they be trusted to ensure our safety when they have already proven they are so negligent.

I am extremely concerned and anxious that the dangers of this proposed toxic incinerator will have dangerous impacts to my families health, well being and financial outcomes if it was to go ahead. Pollution from the proposed incinerator will include sulphur and nitric gases which when it rains will turn to sulphuric and nitric acids and it will emit toxic heavy metal particulates including mercury, lead cadmium and persistent organic particulates (dioxins, furans, PCBs, PFAS). Particulate pollution can lead to decreased lung function, cardiac disease and death. In addition to polluting the air, dioxins and furans will accumulate in the surrounding environment over time in soil and water and are absorbed by plants, crops and animals. Our drinking water (tank water) would be compromised, the fruit and vegetables from our garden, no longer be edible, the livestock we produce would no longer be suitable for human consumption, our family home and farm would be worthless after all our hard work. I deeply care for our

land and the natural environment. I have over 130 acres of land with many native animals and plants that would also be at risk.

I believe Sydney should manage their own waste and not be allowed to dump their waste in our community or anyone else's community for that matter. There are far better innovative measures which should be taken to address the root cause at its source. Yes, we are a small community however we are not less important. Having a smaller voice does not mean we should be dumped with Sydney's problems. Our voices matter, our health matters, our environment matters, our children and their futures matter.

In addition, do you want to be purchasing food from your local Aldi, Woolworths or Coles that could be contaminated by incinerator toxins that have been proven to cause miscarriage, infant deaths, developmental delays, reproductive issues, heart disease, respiratory disease and cancer. I surely don't.

Please put a stop to this toxic incinerator madness before it is too late.

I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE VEOLIA WASTE INCINERATOR IN ALL FORMS.

I have not made a reportable political donation.

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

Kind Regards

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