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[Also, as required, I declare that I'm not a donor of any funds to any political or industrial entity in the last two years.]

Dept. of Planning & Environment G.P.O 39 Sydney, 2001.

26.7.2015

Att: Chris Ritchie, Manager - Industry Assessments

RE: App. No. SSD 6236; The Eastern Creek Energy from Waste [from Meats Smallstock Abattoirs and others] Facility to be built and run by The Next Generation [NSW] P/L.

Dear Sir.

I object in the strongest possible terms to this proposal.

I respond quite late as I wanted first to absorb and digest the details incl. numerous Attachments documents, published in the proposal submission to the Dept., and its Environmental Impact Statement. I only partly succeeded in this regard, due to morass of details.

I have been affected immensely already by its adjoining facility run by the same company [ie. Genesis] - which spreads regularly awful obnoxious and toxic smells/odours, which completely destroyed my way of life; I cannot open window/s in my home and I cannot go into my garden to rest or enjoy outdoors - all Australians are so accustomed to, and enjoy as a given as a matter of course.

I have never put into question my enjoyment of clean air - before experiencing this neighbouring industrial smelly piece of high technology extending into my backyard, street, neighbourhood - right throughout my entire life. Only at 11 pm last night I went outside to be confronted with this awful smell of old smelly rotting industrial disabling/ paralysing nauseating odours hitting my senses so hard that I immediately had to retreat into my home and was unable to do the work I needed to do outside. This happens regularly with varying and long periods of time, day or night, and one is never sure when or how long the awful smells are going to last for[I initially resolved to keep records of these incidences but this happens so often that I lost count and it is so absorbing that I cannot allocate more of my attention to it; it's becoming a full time attention; destroying my life.] This indeed would get worse as the new facility would go on line. The synergy of the two facilities run by the same management would be horrific to permanent air pollution due to 24/7 action with air emission stacks polluting 24/7.

And nobody seems to care: EPA does nothing to change the situation: it was quite happy to issue new guidelines for thermal facilities like this proposal; but does nothing much else as it supposed to monitor and police this existing 'Rambo'; Eastern Creek sits at the very fringe of Blacktown City Council area so this smelly Rambo does not affect much of the council's area. Actually it[the council] seems to be quite happy to offload this bull to its neighbouring

Penrith City Council; and this in turn is unable to take any control as the culprit is just outside its boundary [even if it was interested to do something about it]. So it is pretty convenient and cosy situation for this donor to the Liberal Party at its highest levels incl. the Baird election campaign. [see the statement of donations by the TNG and its owner].

I am gravely concerned that this Environment Impact Statement written by experts - like one which was presumably written before for its sister Genesis facility - will blind the assessors so much that the real burden bearers of this new industrial Rambo will remain unseen and unheard. This would be a huge, immense disaster; and if this is not curtailed it will be a source of awful diseases and cancers for honest, hard working, trusting and unsuspecting people of Western Sydney [and much more disastrous than smoking victims]. Whereas the TNG owners live comfortably in Eastern Sydney; while the rubbish from the East transferred overnights over M4 [and other M network] will be processed at Eastern Creek and its awful smelly industrial odours spread over wide area of Western Sydney, and be a sure source of future illnesses for the residents of this lovely part of Sydney.

Please take into account and remember, in this context, the long and suffering/enduring history of smoking: only recently we recognise not only active but also passive smoking consequences for our health. I can easily compare the impact of passive smoking on me and impact of this awful smell I experience when it so often hits my senses: to me, there is no doubt that, this smell has much stronger devastating potential to harm, or kill, me than passive or active smoking ever did.

[and I don't need to be told by EIS experts otherwise - supported by their models not based on the reality I, and other residents living here, experience every day.]

When I opened only last Thursday [it seems a strategic timing this one]- the envelope marked "Community Consultation the Next Generation Waste to Energy Facility Eastern Creek" and read its leaflet encouraging me to see its DVD and then leave the decisions to the experts - I was incensed: Are these experts similar to well paid those who for decades were telling us that smoking was OK, quite alright, or even glamorous; actors were well paid for smoking eigarettes/eigars in films - to cover the real horrific stories and gloomy reality - now seen as awful documents/pictures on eigarette packets, now locked behind and otherwise unseen at every retail outlet in Australia - and which Australia pioneered the plain eigarette packaging?

It is an awful comparison of course, but an apt one here and hard hitting.

I urge the Assessors of this project to look behind the EIS expert opinions and see bigger and far into the future pictures - this facility would bring. I urge the assessors not to approve this project at all - even on the basis of its sister Genesis facility record - which spreads destructive, awful, illness- inducing odours like smoking did - but much much worse and intense in the now-you-smell-it;-now-you-don't fashion but with devastating invasive cumulative consequences for our health; and quite freely so. The EIS experts seem to base their opinions on models largely based on US authorities/data - with its standards set low, that any project proposal would pass them; no matter how smelly, disease- spreading and devastating to health.

I urge to set high Australian standards based on Australian experience and input-like it was done with plain eigarette packaging for instance, which is apt as an example - for this submission as well.

Also, I call on the Minister for Planning to direct that a public hearing be held regarding this proposal.

Lastly, if TNG is so kind to birds the facility is to displace, as poignantly detailed in its EIS - why not less so to homeless people, especially women - who surely live in the affected area here and may die while sleeping outdoors, of this polluted air. Surely, they do not have the luxury to fly away like birds do or to retreat to my home like I have-when the dose of polluted air is so too nauseating or devastating.

And so, I challenge TNG to build 10 shelters in its local area for homeless women, after all they are TNG's neighbours as so addressed in their recent leaflet "Community Consultation" and distributed last Thursday locally by TNG.