

The Power Family

NSW Government
Major Projects
Cleanaway's Western Sydney Energy & Resource Recovery Centre

10th November, 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

SAVE OUR SUBURBS

In an age where we want everything to be green and clean, we the Residents of Matraville have been confronted with the possibility of a toxic incinerator being built on our door step.

Over the decades the area has cleansed itself of the old Bunnerong power station, ICI remediation, the paper mill has cleaned its act up and the sewerage works at Malabar is so much cleaner that people swim at the beach now.

After all this good work Orora (which is being taken over by the Nippon Paper Group) are trying to install a co-generation plant that will power the mill and reduce their reliance on gas and cut costs.

Sounds wonderful, but at what expense?

How much are the people of Matraville worth?

We had a Community meeting with Orora and Suez (partner and supplier of the fuel for the plant) and they explained that it will be at "world's best practice" and "of the highest standards" but they could not guarantee what will be released from this new plant.

They call it a co-generation plant because it will use recycled waste to create fuel and this will power the incinerator that will create power for the plant.

The existing plant is already powered by gas but now they want to burn a recycled product that will produce who knows what gases that will be released on the Community of Matraville and all the surrounding suburbs of Sydney.

Once the plant is approved what will stop other high energy users trying to do the same in their neighbourhoods that will further pollute the Sydney basin.

Let's be fair-dinkum here, if it is so good and clean build it in your own back yard and you live next to it.

If it is so desirable then build it where it will not affect a large population of people in a vibrant city like Sydney.

It is time we ALL stood up and say "NO" to this and any other incinerator in Sydney.

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It this co-generation plant is approved then it will devalue our properties in the areas surrounding it and do know what to the future generations of residents in Matraville.

Matraville is named in honour of James Matra (1746–1806), an American sailor and diplomat, who was a midshipman on the voyage by Captain James Cook to Botany Bay in 1770.

Let's not destroy our heritage and keep Matraville clean.

There should be NO incinerators built in the Sydney or the surrounding areas.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Power', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Power