

Department of Planning NSW

Att: Katelyn Symington

Re: Gunnedah Waste Facility Application Number SSD-8530563

Please accept this letter of concern in regard to the proposed Gunnedah Waste Facility, to be constructed on Lots 1 & 2 DP 1226992 16 Torrens Road Gunnedah.

The proposed development is within a Light Industrial area that is local to both residential and rural properties.

The deemed location of a Waste Facility that is proposing to operate a Resource Recovery and Waste Transfer Station to store and process up to 250,000 tonnes per annum poses significant environmental and human risks.

Waste products of this nature have the potential to cause significant human injury and contamination of the air, land, river system and riparian flows. The Namoi river system is approximately 1km from the proposed Waste Facility and is link by storm water drains. This has the potential to cause a flow on affect to not only the local Gunnedah area as well as other businesses, enterprises and communities downstream. The Namoi River is one of the Murray-Darling Basin's major NSW sub-catchments.

In addition to this is the noise, air pollution and increased traffic flow that will impact the already congested traffic area. This waste facility will be located in an area that is surrounded by residential properties.

I believe that this is not a suitable area and requires further investigation into the risk and management of how this facility will not significantly impact the community of Gunnedah.

Kind regards