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To: Senate Standing Committees on Economics <economics.sen@aph.gov.au>
Regards "Selection process for a national radioactive waste management facility in South Australia"

We live on a 'hobby farm' 10km east of Cleve which is outside the Kimba District Council. Terms of Reference, our comments refer to items b, d and e.

b) "Broad community support", the level of community support required for acceptance should be set at a 2/3 majority- then stick to this figure – don't 'waffle'.

d) Essentially the 'community benefit program' is a bribe and that is what it should be called.

e) This is the point which we have disagreed with from the outset. The establishment of a radio-active waste management facility at Kimba will have an effect on the whole of Eyre Peninsula, not just the Kimba Council area and we should all be allowed to have our say.

The 'clean green' reputation of the agricultural, fishing/aquaculture and tourism industries could be negatively affected. "Hobby farm' values could also be affected – in our case we retired to our 'hobby farm' at Cleve because of Eyre Peninsula's 'clean green' reputation. The agricultural zone on Eyre Peninsula is isolated from other farming areas by Spencers Gulf, the Nullarbor Plain and pastoral land to the north and as such it has a unique ability, as an entity, to claim and retain our "clean green' reputation.

The whole of Eyre Peninsula needs to be consulted on the issue of establishment of a nuclear waster management facility, not just a single District Council who have essentially been 'bribed' to accept the establishment of the facility.

A final comment – The logical and most economical solution would be to put the waste back into the huge empty stopes at Olympic Dam where the uranium came from in the first place.

Receipt of this submission is required.

Signed by Ken and Carole Wetherby