Submission to the Senate Inquiry on the repeal of the Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Act.

Dear Committee,

I urge the Federal government to manage radioactive waste in a responsible and equitable way.

The EPBC act and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act must be taken into account when selecting a site. So too should State and Territory legislation. Anything else is an abuse of power on the part of the Federal government.

Regarding the Muckaty site, many Traditional Owners oppose the dump (as detailed in submissions to the previous Inquiry). Their consent should be essential before constructing such a long-term facility.

The approach of the previous and current Governments have been undemocratic and I think there are better solutions to the problem of radioactive waste.

Sincerely,

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