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Dear Ms Picone and Ms Russell

Thank you for your letter of 28 May 2008 concerning radioactive waste management and repeal of the *Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Act 2005*.

I am currently considering an appropriate way forward to achieve a comprehensive, national approach to radioactive waste management. No decisions on radioactive waste management will be taken by me or the Australian Government without appropriate stakeholder consultation, including state and territory governments and indigenous and local communities.

In the meantime, I will not take piecemeal steps or decisions on radioactive waste management in the absence of a total package to solve this problem for the long-term.

Thank you again for providing me your views on this important matter.

Yours sincerely

Martin Ferguson