

Committee Secretary Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications and the Arts Department of the Senate,

I am in full support of the Australian Greens Bill to repeal the Radioactive Waste Management Act 2005, and the amendments made in 2006 to the Radioactive Waste Management Act 2005. I am aware that the ALP has a mandate and obligation to repeal the Radioactive Waste Management Act 2005 as it was an ALP election promise during the 2007 Federal Election, it has been agreed by the ALP during the 2007 April ALP National Conference. The ALP has been able to fulfill a number of it's election promises but is now failing to meet some very important promises, such as repealing Act's from the former Liberal Government. The ALP must urgently address the issue of Radioactive Waste in Australia through the proper channels of open, informed consultation and be prepared to walk away from a proposed site where there is opposition from Traditional Owners and other Landowners and Stakeholders. I urge the ALP to seriously reconsider it's policy position on uranium mining until the ALP has found a solution to Australia's current issues with Radioactive Waste, and to repeal the Radioactive Waste Management Act 2005, to begin this process.

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