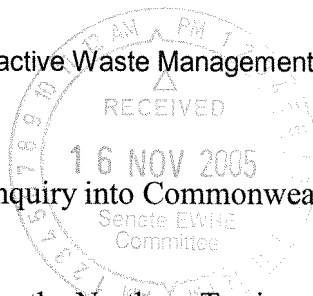


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I oppose the passing of this bill because it will impose a Waste Dump on the Northern Territory against the wishes of Territorians, as demonstrated at the last state election, and against the wishes of Traditional Owners. Moreover, I believe that if we can store radioactive waste safely (I suspect that we cannot), then we should do so as close as possible to the site of waste production. Transporting nuclear waste is far more hazardous than keeping it in its current temporary location at Lucas Heights. Moreover if as a country we decide to create nuclear waste (I believe we should not) then such waste should not be stored in the desert where it will pose hazard to indigenous people who played no part in its creation. The benefit of nuclear technology and the risk associated should be distributed in equal measure, any less is a gross environmental injustice.

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