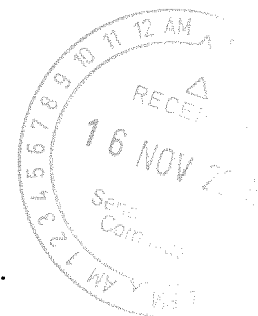


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**From:** Emma Rush [emma.louise.rush@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 16 November 2005 2:42 PM  
**To:** EET, Committee (SEN)  
**Subject:** Submission re proposed radioactive waste dump in NT



To whom it may concern,

I write to protest the proposed radioactive waste dump in the Northern Territory.

No compelling case has been made for the establishment of the proposed radioactive waste dump. The claims about the need for the dump in order to maintain access to high quality nuclear medicine are wrong and are contradicted by senior medical professionals including the former head of medical research at the Lucas Heights nuclear facility - Professor Barry Allen.

I am also extremely concerned that the federal legislation as it stands would allow the proposed NT waste dump to be turned into an international radioactive waste dump housing highly radioactive materials from all around the world - effectively forever.

I am particularly appalled that there has been no consultation with the NT government or community, traditional Aboriginal landowners or those on the proposed transport routes. It is simply insulting that the committee has not bothered to travel to the NT to hear directly from the most affected community. The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) maintains that such facilities require community consent and a reasonable degree of 'social license' - but the recent federal legislation is inconsistent with this international obligation. The Inquiry period is far too short to deal with the complexity of the issues involved.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Rush

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