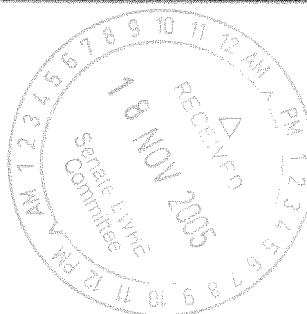


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The Chair - Senator Judith Troeth  
Senate Employment, Workplace Relations and  
Education Committee Inquiry into Commonwealth  
Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2005.

Dear Senator

Under the Australian constitution the people of the NT are entitled to be treated the same as all other Australians. In 2005 the NT is not a subservient colony of the ACT. The disposal of radioactive waste created by nuclear research is a national responsibility which, should have been resolved at the time, and as a condition of approval when production of this waste was allowed to commence. After decades of indecision the Federal Government has failed to make any compelling case for the urgency of this Legislation. The Australian Nation as a whole should select a disposal / storage site based on scientific assessment and knowledge which supports one or a number of potentially suitable location sites. A community consultation process, however long it takes, should finally determine the "acceptable" site. The proposed legislation is an abuse of the principle of equal rights for all, to which the people of the NT ought not be the exception. Any federal parliamentarian from the NT who supports this legislation betrays the very people who entrusted him / her with the privilege of representing them.

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