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

my name is Bonnie Wykman, I am a 20 year old christian woman living in Perth, WA. I am writing to you as i have recently heard that the federal government are attemptng to pass legislation to have a low level waste dump in the NT. I am extremely concerned about this for a number of reasons. Firstly, nuclear waste is one of the deadliest substances known to humankind, it has an extremely long half life and there is no 100% guarantee that it can be stored safely. Secondly, i am concerned for the people who will live along the transport route for the waste as i don't believe that authorities would be able to deal with an accident resulting in the leaking of nuclear waste. Has their been community consultation in Alice Springs or Katherine and along the proposed transport route?

I would like to strongly urge Senator Scullion to cross the floor on this issue. The government is meant to represent the interests of the people, however, nuclear waste dump is not in the interests of the health of the people or the environment. Therefor it must be opposed by people who have the power to stop this legislation.

I am a young Australian who is fast losing confidence in the government of this country. Please use your consciences to do what is right for the people you are meant to serve.

i will be praying about this

Bonnie Wykman

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