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**Submission to the Senate Enquiry**  
**Re the Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management**  
**Bill**

Dear Chairperson Senator Judith Troeth,

- 1) The Federal Govt does not seem to have made a case for the the need of this waste dump.
- 2) There has been no consultation with the indigenous landholders. They, in fact are solidly against it.
- 3) As it is proposed in NT it could have been expected that the NT Govt would have been in agreement but both NT political parties are against it.
4. The Federal govt said emphatically that there would be no waste dump in the NT, si why is it going back on its promises, particularly when there is such a short enquiry period.
5. If the Govt is of a mind to override existing provisions of Federal and Territory Law - it is a most unhealthy precedent.
6. If the Senate supports this legislation it will be going back on all democratic processes and does not support any of the claims made by experts.
7. The Senate should go to the NT and ask the people before imposing such a dump.
8. To lead Australia ainto a process denying rights and liberties is a very dangerous initiative.

Sincerely

Signed-- Christine Fensham