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Senate Committee inquiry into NT waste dump

As a Territorian I would like to add the following comments to the NT nuclear waste dump debate:

1. The traditional land owners of all 3 proposed sites oppose the dump on their land. I grew up in Nhulunbuy, North East

Arnhem Land, and have experienced first hand the connection between aboriginal people and their country. This should

not be ignored.

2. A nuclear waste dump in any of those areas would potentially ruin the NT cattle export industry. Who wants to buy

beef from near a nuclear waste dump. Not me!!!

3. The proposed NT waste dump could be turned into an international radioactive waste dump. People worldwide are

looking for somewhere out of the way to store waste. Australia is out of the way for most countries. And when did John

Howard last question or oppose any request by George Bush for assistance? Never.

- 4. A single large dump would be a potential terrorist target, and thats the last thing we need.
- 5. It is international best practice to store waste as near to place of production as possible. This proposed dump is the exact opposite.
- 6. If we stopped the nuclear industry (which uses yet another non-renewable energy source) we wouldnt need a dump.

We should be inversting in renewable energy instead.

Thanks for hearing my concerns.