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Submission to Senate Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Committee Inquiry Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Legislation Amendment Bill 2006

I am writing to express my dismay at the proposed amendments to the Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Legislation.

I lived for 10 years in Darwin, and was always concerned about matters pertaining to the Northern Territory.

I am utterly opposed to the present attempt to amend the CRWMA to weaken community input to Land Councils, which had been required before any Land Council could recommend land for a radioactive waste dump. This allows Land Councils to nominate land for a dump irrespective of the community's opposition and even possibly without their consultation!

It removes the right for the community to decide on issues directly affecting their homelands.

I recommend that these amendments are strongly opposed by the Committee.

Yours sincerely,

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