

To whom it may concern,

While considering the current inquiry into radioactive waste management in Australia, please consider whether or not 'procedural fairness' has anything to do with fairness.

Please also consider not only the Northern Territory and its right to decide its own fate, but the right of its regions to have a meaningful say in what directly concerns them. Most importantly consider the local people, their concern for the land, and their wishes for future generations.

These people need to be heard. They need to be listened to. Nothing can be a substitute for their informed and willing consent. Many do not see the land in the shallow economic sense that is presumed in the dominant discourse. Any legislation that further erodes the rights of Australia's Indigenous peoples and contributes to disempowerment and cultural degradation is of detriment to every single one of us.

Furthermore, there are serious transportation safety concerns when trucking such waste products to 'the middle of nowhere'. The further the waste travels, the higher the probability of accidents or incidents occurring.

The issue of nuclear waste is highly contentious, and it needs to be approached in an open and honest fashion.

This issue can not be thought of as a political issue. At the very least a human perspective must be taken, one which in no uncertain terms, values life.

Thank you for your consideration,

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