

**SUBMISSION AGAINST THE MRF IPSWICH STREET FYSHWICK**  
EIS.201700053  
**FOR THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF PLANNING**

There are many reasons why I object to this development. Among others there are important concerns which have not been adequately addressed in the Draft EIS.

Matters for consideration of the Consent Authority as being inadequately addressed in the EIS are;

1. Separation Distances from the nearest sensitive receptors. The future East Lakes Renewal development with apartment buildings designated for less than 300m directly opposite the site was not addressed for adverse impact of noise, odour, air and traffic.
2. The financial cost of this method of waste disposal to the ratepayer of Canberra at the present and over the life of the facility along with an analysis of the viability of the development over a short and longer period was not addressed at all.
3. A cost benefit analysis for the development was missing.
4. The justification for this development was questionable. The public benefit was not demonstrated with any degree of conviction.
5. The source, kind and reliability of the waste was not described as required by the Scoping Document.
6. There was no detailed consideration of alternatives.
7. No attempt was made to assess the cumulative effects of air, noise and traffic impacts.
8. The traffic impacts were understated and the potential for increased road accidents ignored completely.
9. Waste Transfer stations are perceived as offensive industries. For Fyshwick there should have been a more comprehensive assessment of its intrusive and amenity impacts.
10. No discussion of or commitment to ongoing real time monitoring of air, odour and noise on the site and surrounding it was included in the EIS.
11. The adequacy of the site selected for purpose, size and access for emergency services has been insufficiently addressed particularly with the additional needs of a future WtE plant on site.
12. The risk of an onsite waste fire was not addressed with the required rigour that this issue for a plant at Fyshwick demanded. Waste fires at transfer stations are

very common, last for days, disrupt the community and should be mitigated against by a more thoughtful site selection.

13. The contaminated site demands the most detailed scrutiny as to whether it is fit for the changed purpose under EPA 'EPP Contaminated Sites'. The site should be remediated not "managed". All strategies especially the vapour barrier should be examined closely for efficacy.
14. Many Occupational and Safety issues are concerning and not satisfactory addressed in the EIS.
15. Air Quality issues were not addressed to a satisfactory standard.
16. Impacts on health for the workers on site and the general community were superficially dismissed.
17. Community Consultation has been inadequate. None was done relating to the rail terminal and its associated activities. None has been done for the extension of the rail terminal onto Block 11 section 47.

That these issues and others were not adequately addressed is a serious concern. Since there are so many unanswered and confusing issues surrounding this development and since so many issues demanded by the Scoping Document were not addressed in the Draft EIS the most practical and fair solution is for an Inquiry Panel of appropriate experts to be formed to assess all relevant economic, social and environmental impacts. I earnestly and respectfully entreat the Minister to appoint such a panel as being in the public interest to do so.

Sincerely

