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Mr Tom Duncan Clerk ACT Legislative Assembly London Circuit CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Mr Duncan

Thank you for your letter of 27 August 2020 regarding Petition 22-20, lodged by Ms Elizabeth Lee MLA, regarding the high-volume waste processing sites in Canberra's inner south. My response to the petition is detailed below.

The ACT Government's position on this matter is clear. The ACT Government does not support the CRS proposal and does not support the processing of red bin waste in Fyshwick. The Government is particularly concerned with the CRS waste proposal as it currently stands and is considering all available options to oppose the project.

Through the <u>Waste to Energy Policy 2020-25</u>, the ACT Government has already put a moratorium on waste to energy in the ACT. This policy was a result of the Government consulting with the community and led to a ban on waste incineration.

The ACT Waste Management Strategy 2011-2025 refers to the Hume Resource Recovery Estate and acknowledges that further development of the site, to co-locate resource recovery facilities would be beneficial. This is reiterated in the Parliamentary Agreement for the 10th Legislative Assembly whereby the Government will seek advice on the best way to facilitate the location of waste processing facilities in Hume.

The ACT Government remains an active and engaged stakeholder in waste facility proposals and will ensure that key waste-related impacts and issues are addressed as part of waste facility proposals.

I trust this information is of assistance.

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Yours sincerely

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