

ECONOMIC IMPACT OF AN INCINERATOR AT TARAGO

FACTSHEET #6



1 Veolia's incinerator will provide only 40 full-time jobs. Some jobs will be for **overseas experts**, and some jobs will be lost from the existing landfill.¹

2 Incinerators reduce recycling rates by destroying discarded products and materials. This **cuts recycling jobs** and is incompatible with a circular economy.²

3 Veolia's \$600 million incinerator will be **sealed up** (due to contamination) after 30 years.¹ A similar solar farm investment would generate **12 times the electricity**, similar ongoing employment, and minimal contamination.³

4 Veolia's proposal is already influencing **real estate** buyers.¹ **Property devaluation** would devastate the finances of residents in areas most affected (Tarago, Lake Bathurst, Currawang, Bungendore, Wamboin, Bywong, Sutton, Collector and Gundaroo).

5 Incinerator contamination puts our **agricultural industry at risk**.⁴ From paddock to plate, contamination of local farmlands puts farm jobs, suppliers, local businesses, restaurants and industry at risk.

**INCINERATORS COST JOBS.
RECYCLING CREATES
10 TO 20 TIMES MORE JOBS
THAN INCINERATORS.²**

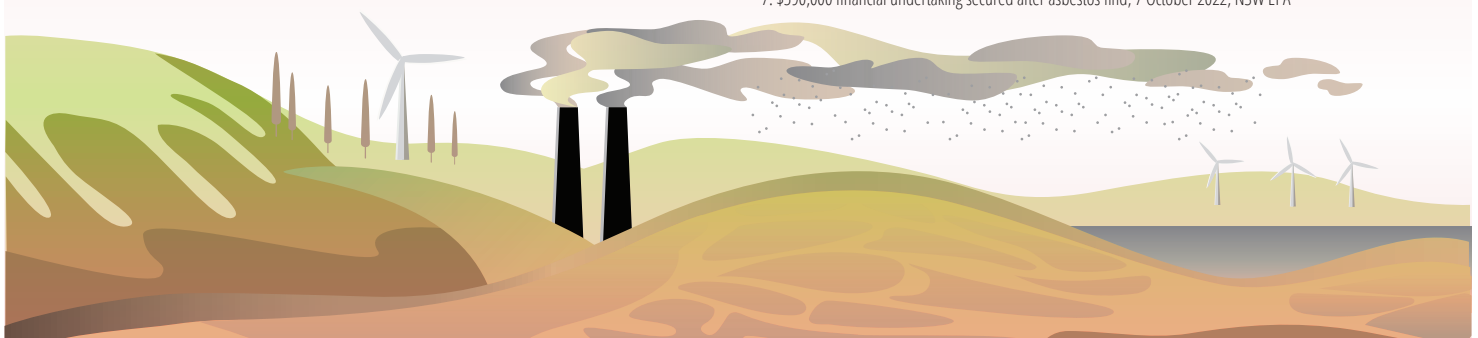
6 Incinerators burden local economies. Local governments overseas have gone bankrupt trying to fulfil waste contracts and operating needs.²

7 Employment rates in our region are high.⁵ We don't need to create jobs in industries that **cost our kids their future** and take workers from other local businesses in a competitive employment market.

8 Veolia says an incinerator will benefit our region.¹ Veolia withdrew funding from Goulburn-Mulwaree Council after it opposed them.⁵ Veolia breaches licence conditions.⁷ **Can we trust Veolia?**

REFERENCES:

1. NSW Department of Planning (Woodlawn ARC); Veolia Woodlawn ARC website; Tarago Community communications with Veolia, 2022.
2. Facts about "waste-to-energy" incinerators, GAIA (Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives), 2018.
3. <https://aboutregional.com.au/120-million-solar-farm-approved-near-act-border-despite-community-concerns/>, 28 Feb 2021.
4. The health impacts of waste incineration; a systematic review. Tait et al. Australian & NZ Journal of Public Health. 2020
5. <https://www.flinders.edu.au/content/dam/documents/research/aiti/monthly-employment-insights/new-south-wales.pdf>, 2022
6. Veolia Mulwaree Trust withdraws \$2.5 million dollar grant for Performing Arts Centre, Goulburn Post, 19 October 2021
7. \$590,000 financial undertaking secured after asbestos find, 7 October 2022, NSW EPA



TAKE ACTION BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!



**SUBMIT YOUR OBJECTION BEFORE
6th December 2022**

**GO TO www.NoTaragoIncinerator.com
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

