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• the reasons for your views.

The applicant has no experience of operating a refuse incinerator and has not included any details of expertise that may be employed to manage the installation. Therefore I have very low confidence that, in the initial stages at least, the plant will be operated correctly and emissions minimised.

The plant will emit toxic chemicals into the atmosphere. The report by Dr Terry Brady notes that for some emissions there is no safe limit and describes the health effects of other emissions as "minor". Everybody's definition of minor will vary and for some people the effects will be significant. Dioxins emitted into the air eventually settle out onto pasture where they are ingested by animals and enter the food chain. Studies of chicken eggs in Denmark showed that dioxin levels in eggs in close proximity to an incinerator had high levels of dioxins. There are no safe levels. The application does not include any details of the process to be followed if toxins do exceed the permitted levels, once the toxins enter the air they cannot be sucked back or cleaned up, they are there forever affecting the health of residents and animals.

The assessment of Hazardous substances to be stored at the plant is very superficial and hardly worth the paper it is written on. The assumed volume of diesel to be stored on site appears to be plucked out of the air because it is below the level that requires specific consent. The applicant notes that 1 diesel delivery per day is expected and whilst that may be a maximum it does suggest regular use suggesting that on site storage of at least a tanker full of 10-15,000 litres would be more likely. The assessment also makes no mention of the bottom ash, fly ash and treatment water all of which contain toxic substances and will require on site storage until they can be transported off site. The disposal of these toxic substances is also not detailed. They should be carried in sealed containers. The process water is noted to be transported to GCS sister company Global Metal Solutions where it will be used for washing trucks and fire fighting. This toxic water will then end up in another local authority's drainage system without treatment. Surely that is not acceptable.

The impacts of increased traffic on all residents and businesses in the town are not considered in the Traffic Impact Assessment. Maybe the roads are able to carry more trucks without widening but the people who live adjacent to these roads will be subject to much more noise and vibration and



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inconvenience from the additional traffic. And the roads themselves will suffer more wear and tear needing more maintenance and more frequent reseals. Cartage of the 60,000m3 of fill and the further 60,000 m3 of preload which will later have to be removed will be a massive operation with a fleet of trucks running for several weeks. This will cause significant disruption and greatly increased wear and tear on local roads.

If built the plant will need to operational for at least 30 years in order to recoup the massive capital investment. That will imply that the country needs to be able to supply that much waste to fuel it at a time when the focus is on reducing our waste. Many local authorities have waste minimisation strategies that will be undermined by the need to keep this beast operational if it goes ahead.

Incineration doesn't make sense. Waste reduction is the 21<sup>st</sup> century solution

Waipa, and Te Awamutu in particular, has nothing to gain from this proposal. At best it might gain a few jobs, many of which will be filled by migrants from overseas. But the number of jobs is very few compared to the huge capital cost. Many more jobs would be created by a reduce, recover, reuse, repair, recycle programme for far less capital cost. The disbenefits of loss of property values, the loss of amenity to existing residents, health risks from toxic chemicals and the reduced attractiveness of the town for new residents many times exceed any benefits.

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That the resource consent be declined.

If the commissioners do not agree to that then I request that conditions be imposed regarding continuous monitoring of flue gases with strict limits on allowable emissions of dioxins and toxic metals including processes to be followed when the limits are exceeded and harsh fines. Background levels of dioxin on pastures at typical sites in the proximity (0-5km) must be established before the plant is operational and monitored annually. If the emissions of any toxins exceeds a level to be determined the plant is to be shut down.

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Date: 13/10/23

Contact person: Nick Cantlon (name and designation, if applicant)

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The site selection with reference to proximity to educational facilities, its proximity to agricultural production, proximity and reverse sensitivity to Fonterra, mana whenua connections and questionable strength of Tainui support, no proof of waste availability and possibility of importation, false claims of renewable energy status, lack of detail and unsatisfactory statements around safe disposal of wastewater and ash residues.

### My submission is:

### Oppose all

My name is Heather Campbell.

In 1976 I was a young art teacher in a large Hamilton High School. It was a time when Māori art was just emerging in school syllabuses and taken up with zeal by rangatahi who were considered failures in the 3 RRRs. Their journey through high school was full of culturally irrelevant days for which they had to bear the stigma of being the dummies. The 2 things that I could see sustained them were art and Māori Culture Club, the predecessor of kapa haka.

I lived beside the Waipā River then at the back of Whatawhata and used to swim in the river. Tuna fishermen boated past regularly.

Two years later I left and lived overseas for 35 years.

I returned to live in Te Awamutu in 2018. What had changed over one genertation was the river smelt bad, polluted beyond recognition; bony cows were crowded into paddocks amidst a monoculture of maize.

What had also happened nationally was the eventual uptake of Te Reo, the glorious arrival of Te Matatini and two landmark exhibitions of contemporary Maori art, Toi Tū Toi Ora in Tāmaki and Puhoro ō mua, Puhoro ki tua in Kirikiriroa.

I enrolled at Te Wānanga o Aotearoa in Factory Rd and spent 3 years learning Te Reo Māori.

The Wānanga has an art collection of works by tauira that is the amazing legacy of local visionary educators of the 1980s. Marie Nita Panapa (Aunty Ma), Te Atiawa, one of the founders passed in 2017. She and her colleagues bought the land for \$1 from Te Awamutu College. The site had been a rubbish dump. They mortgaged their own homes more than once to offer a chance of success for students who had failed in the school system through art – Whakairo (carving) and Raranga (weaving). There is now the 'Marie Panapa Gallery' in the Apakura campus that honours her teaching.

The Wānanga has grown to become a Crown Entity with 80 sites across the country offering training courses and giving students 'a second chance' at learning. Its impossible to separate the phenomenal cultural renaissance that has emerged nationally over one generation from the beginnings of this institution in Factory Rd, Te Awamutu.



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The growth of the Kohanga Reo and Kura next door in Factory Rd has created a seamless bridge for rangatahi Māori to never have to fail in the first instance.

To hear the words of a young Hauraki electoral candidate in September 2023, Hana-Rawhiti Maipi-Clarke "The kohanga reo generation are here, and we have a huge movement and a huge wave of us coming through...." fills my heart.

What doesn't add up with my lived experience is Global Contracting Solutions 'Paewira' Waste to Energy Incinerator proposal that would be built 380 metres from Te Wānanga o Aotearoa's Apakura campus.

Combustion by incineration of fossil fuels is one of the biggest environmental challenges over the last 150 years leading to the precarious over heated planetary existence we now live. Despite additional 'modern' engineering WtE technology has been dismissed in Europe for its greenhouse gas emissions, risks to human health, overbuild and its stymying of waste minimisation efforts.

The Paewira proposal must be assessed on its climate emissions and not slide under the low bar set by the RMA 1991 at the time of the application. It is unthinkable to build one anywhere in NZ now.

To hear of it referenced as an initiative of Apakura whakapapa by the company doesn't resonate with the real measures I have seen close by of Māori success.

Effects to land, air and water of incineration of fossil fuels smacks of colonial, industrial-scale pollution that has been visited on Māori land by the Crown and is too often inherited in land settlements.

One of the obvious contradictions is Mr Tuhoro's statement that Ngāti Apakura doesn't agree with burying waste. How does that account for the 20% of the tonnage incinerated ending up as toxic ash that must be landfilled. To also create polluted wastewater that he proposes to take away and use as washdown water at his own waste processing plant just removes the disposal problem to another location.

I would like to see as per the District Councils assessment of application 'a clear position on the cultural values of the site and any potential impacts given that a Cultural Impact Statement assessment has not been completed and the response by Waikato Tainui is ambiguous'.

Multiple references in the application to Paewira call the energy produced as 'renewable'. Fossil fuels such as plastics in Municipal Solid Waste are a finite resource and no different in terms of creating greenhouse gas emissions than oil. This has no resemblance to a circular economy they claim tghey subscribe to.

Their position on energy status is ambiguous. At times they call it renewable, but at others they describe it 'creates a platform for uptake of other renewables', when discussing it as useful baseline energy that Fonterra could use for later electrification in their decarbonisation journey for example.

In terms of the relationship with Fonterra, they applicant doesn't provide a statement of support they say they are persuing. There is a warning of reverse sensitivity with the the Fonterra enterprise flagged by WDC planner Hayley Thomas in the Pre Application Meetings report. It is difficult to conceive of a fruitful relationship between a GHG, and particulate-emitting incinerator and a dairy enterprise that has just spent \$12M converting a 43MW coal burner to biomass, with a 98% reduction in GHGs or 89,000 tonnes of CO2 pa.

The air quality study in the Paewira application gives little confidence for the true measurement of particulates or the behaviour of stack emissions in proximity to the large dairy.

In order to progress assessmentment of this application I would want Fonterra to be compelled to comment before any hearing.

An assessment of the availability of waste is not part of the application. In the Pre-application report of November 2020 by WDC planner Hayley Thomas quotes GCS "GMS Recycling (Global Metal Solutions) recycle waste from the Pacific with a reach into Asia and beyond". As well as questions around provenance of MSW when the large waste industry investment is in their landfills and recovery



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enterprises and have dismissed investment in WtE, the question needs to be asked if GCS intends to use imported waste as feedstock.

In greenwashing employed by WTE companies it is possible to see the vulnerabilities in their proposal inversely reflected in community 'benefits'. Plainsight says for Paewira it is children:

- There is an avoidance of mention or indeed mapping of the nearby schools in all the documents.
- The addition of an education centre for the merits of the technology begs the question is WTE a future-looking activity.
- Likewise a gallery room whose purpose is light on detail presumes that this is a large rubbish burning incinerator would be a respectful place to display taonga.
- The worst greenwashing by GCS is the claim that the tonnes of fly ash residues that Paewira disgorges has any useful purpose. In Germany, where their technology originates, it is considered so toxic, it is deposited down disused salt mines. GCS claims theres a demand for it and theirs can be used in manufacture of cement tilt a slabs that the Education Department is crying out for to build schools.

Waste to Energy incinerators emit dioxins and they are transported by surface water and air. Some of the worst are from POPs or 'forever chemicals' that have been even been used in warfare (Agent Orange), are practically indestructible and pervade flyash and bottom ash. They bioaccumulate and end up in the foodchain causing intergenerational morbidity and mortality. Their persistence cannot be measured yet as not enough time has gone by to witness their demise in the environment.

The flock in the feedstock proposed by Paewira will be in all probability a source of POPS due to the proponderence of waterproofing and heat resistent materials in metal coatings, fabrics, pipes, gaskets and mouldings. GCS even talks about the possibility of mining old landfills to unearth more of these legacy materials that will only be made more toxic by burning.

This circle closes with the prospect of many future generations wearing the risk from the Paewira enterprise, or staying the course and prospering due to the amazing resilience and creativity thriving in their community right now. The assessment of waste to energy that involves incineration of MSW should be considered a matter of national importance.

### I seek the following decision from the consent authority:

That either the application is declined or the Waipā District Council refers it to the EPA to be called in by the Minister for the Environment as a matter of national importance.

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Date: 13 October 2023 Contact person:\_Heather Campbell (name and designation, if applicant)

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YES (can't tick your box). I have served a copy of my submission on the applicant. (this is required by section 96(6) (b) of the Resource Management Act 1991)

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### Signature of submitter: Urs Signer\_

(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter) (A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023\_\_\_

Contact person: Urs Signer\_ (name and designation, if applicant)

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### LU/0323/21 – Global Contracting Solutions Limited Waste to Energy Incineration

### Introduction

Climate Justice Taranaki (CJT)<sup>1</sup> is a community group dedicated to environmental sustainability and social justice. This includes issues of inter-generational equity, notably in relation to climate change, which will increasingly impact present and future generations' inalienable rights to safe water, food and shelter, crucial to sustaining livelihoods and quality of life. Composed of a broad range of people with varied expertise and life experiences, CJT has engaged respectfully with government on numerous occasions.

Currently, Taranaki's waste is trucked to the Manawatū to a privately-operated landfill at Bonny Glen. Landfills come with significant environmental issues. However, in terms of our region achieving the goal of zero waste by moving towards circular economy, we would much rather our municipal waste goes to landfill than to an incinerator. We have significant concern that Taranaki's waste would end up being trucked to Waipā for decades with no incentives to actually solve our waste crisis.

### **Decision sought**

CJT oppose this application in full and ask that Waipā District Council DECLINE it.

### Rationale

The potential health impacts of this untested technology, resulting in cancer-causing dioxins, are too great for the local community.

- The potential site, currently a "Specialised Dairy Industrial Area", is inappropriate for such an industry. It is incompatible with milk production, and the other neighbouring landuse notably residential housing, schools and food businesses.
- The entire site is located in a High Risk Flood Zone, exacerbating flooding risks and damage.
- There is also a high risk of extensive land contamination with heavy metals, microplastics and other toxic emissions including dioxin, yet the company has not provided any such risk assessment.
- The discharge of stormwater carrying heavy metals and dioxin to the Mangapiko Stream is unacceptable.
- The proposal goes against New Zealand's emissions reduction and climate change commitments. Producing energy by burning non-renewable materials (plastics, tyres, mixed solid waste and floc from scrap metal processing) is no better than burning fossil fuels. The resulting carbon footprint is greater than sending the same amount of material to landfill, not to mention the 23 tonnes/day of toxic ash that will have to be landfilled.
- The proposal's demand for feedstock will compromise the implementation of the National Plastics Action Plan<sup>2</sup> and our zero waste<sup>3</sup> goal.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://climatejusticetaranaki.wordpress.com/</u>

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- Incineration technology is applied in countries which have a high population and limited land – neither is the case in Aotearoa New Zealand.

### **Concluding remarks**

Incinerators are essentially a landfill in the sky. Once infrastructure like this waste-to-energy plant is built, there is significantly less incentive to reduce our waste given that the North Island's waste can simply be trucked to the Waipā District in a complete linear – and ultimately harmful - process.

We need real solution to solve our waste problems. Rather than building obsolete and environmentally damaging 'think big' infrastructure, we need to shift our attention to creating a circular economy in order to move away from the 'extract-process-use-dump' framework. We need to focus on rebuilding local communities, repairing things, repurposing goods and engage in activities that regenerate our environment instead of pumping more CO2 into the atmosphere.

Globally we have overshot six of the nine planetary boundaries<sup>4</sup>, risking the survival of humanity and many of the species we share this planet with. The way forward is to reduce our overall energy and material demand, starting with the dirtiest and most frivolous, wean ourselves off economic growth and embark on Degrowth. At the same time bring about a progressive tax system and invest massively in public services from health to housing, education and public transport, community-based renewable energy systems, local food producing networks, ecosystem restoration, aimed to foster community wellbeing and resilience.

We would like to be heard in relation to our submission. Please contact us via email – <u>climatejusticetaranaki@risuep.net</u>

Nāku noa, nā

Urs Signer – member of Climate Justice Taranaki

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/sciadv.adh2458



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### All In The (Mahuta) Family Part 7 – Lord Of Waste

Updated | 26 Jun 2022 Victoria O'Brien



*This is* **Part 7** of The Daily Examiner's article series on Labour Minister Nanaia Mahuta & the close involvement of members of her family in NZ's government.

Previous coverage of this topic has focused on singular aspects of the involvement of various Mahuta family members in powerful government advisory positions and contracts they have been awarded. However the question has not been asked, **why?** 

Why go to all this effort of placing related parties in these positions for what appears to be relatively small amounts of money, such as has been covered in <u>Part 3 of our article series</u>? As far as our researchers have been able to uncover, approximately \$100k in consulting contracts has been awarded to Ka Awatea Services (owned by Gannin Ormsby, Minister Mahuta's husband), Kawai Catalyst Ltd (owned by Gannin Ormsby's relatives Tamoko & Waimirirangi Ormsby) and Waimirirangi Ormsby as an individual, by the Ministry for the Environment and Ministry of Maori Development.

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# **RISKS OF BURNING TIRES AND** TIRE RECYCLING ALTERNATIVES

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Burning tires is generally deemed an unsustainable and somewhat hazardous method for disposing of waste tires. It carries many environmental threats and poses various risks to public health, however, there are some cases in which burning tires can help manage this type of waste.

In this article, we'll discuss the risks associated with burning tires and what alternatives can be sought for managing the massive 1.5 billion waste tires (https://earthbound.report/2017/06/29/what-can-theworld-do-with-1-5-billion-waste-tyres/) that are generated annually around the world.

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tire recycling machinery (https://gradeall.com/product-type/tyre-recycling/), Gradeall is committed to pursuing a more sustainable future in tire disposal. We design innovative machinery that streamlines this process with enhanced productivity and efficiency.

### Why is burning tires bad?

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### **Fire hazard**

Burning tires can also lead to intense and difficult-to-control tire fires. These fires produce a thick smoke that makes firefighting efforts very challenging. Some tire fires have burned for up to 15 years and in all that time, they constantly spread pollutants and hazardous materials.

### **Burning tires smell**

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### **Environmental impact**

The release of pollutants from tire burning also contributes to environmental degradation and can cause harm to ecosystems. This environmental impact may:

- Damage plant life.
- Affect aquatic organisms.
- Damage surrounding habitats.
- Disrupt the balance of ecosystems.

The pollutants are harmful to all living organisms within close proximity to the burning tires.

### Burning tires for energy

The only time that burning tires is generally permitted is when it is used as an alternative fuel source. Tire-derived fuel (TDF) is often used in industrial processes such as cement kilns, pulp and paper mills, and power plants.

TDF is produced by shredding or grinding waste tires into smaller pieces, typically chips or crumb rubber. They have a high energy content due to the hydrocarbon-rich nature of the rubber, making them suitable for use as a fuel source, with significant heat energy when burned.

### **Product Types**

Balers (https://gradeall.com/producttype/balers/) Containers (https://gradeall.com/producttype/containers/) Compactors (https://gradeall.com/producttype/compactors/) Tyre Recycling Equipment (https://gradeall.com/producttype/tyre-recycling/) Specialist Machinery (https://gradeall.com/producttype/specialist-machinery/) Burning tires in this way is an alternative to using non-renewable fossil fuels such as coal and oil. However, it does carry environmental considerations in that the combustion of TDF releases toxic emissions, including carbon dioxide (CO2), sulfur dioxide (SO2), nitrogen oxides (NOx), and particulate matter.

These emissions can cause negative effects on human health and contribute to air pollution and climate change and if it is not properly managed.

### Is burning tires illegal?

Burning tires is typically a banned and illegal practice for managing this type of waste, due to the significant environmental effects and associated health risks. It is generally discouraged and heavily regulated in many jurisdictions.

### Alternatives to burning tires

At Gradeall, we have manufactured an impressive fleet of tire recycling machinery (https://gradeall.com/product-type/tyre-recycling/) that helps prepare waste tires for alternative recycling methods. Our selection of tire balers (https://gradeall.com/product/mk3-tyre-baler/), shredders (https://gradeall.com/product/agricultural-tyre-shear/) and sidewall cutters (https://gradeall.com/product/car-tyre-sidewall-cutter/) also reduces the bulky volume of waste tires, which contributes to reduced fuel consumption and transportation costs.



It is essential to utilize proper waste management methods such as tire recycling and repurposing, in order to reduce the need for burning tires as a method for disposing of them.

There are many innovative and creative alternatives to burning tires, check them out below:

### **Silage covers**

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sidewall cutter can remove the sidewalls from tires (https://gradeall.com/product/car-tyre-sidewall-cutter/) and leave behind a weighted rubber material which can then be repurposed as silage covers in agriculture practices. It also makes the left over tire material much easier to manage, store and transport.



### **Playground surfaces**

Waste tires can be turned into a rubber crumb which is then used in the production of playground surfaces and sports pitches. The rubber material also provides impact absorption which makes it a great material for this purpose.

### **Embankments**

When tires are baled together (https://gradeall.com/product/mkii-tyre-baler/), they can also be used for embankments due to their lightweight, durable and water-resistant properties. There are many other uses for waste tires in civil engineering projects.



### **Repurposed waste tires**

Waste tires can also be repurposed for a variety of uses, including;

- Plant potters
- Tire furniture
- Sporting equipment
- Tire swings

This keeps the original integrity of the tire intact, whilst repurposing it for another use, increasing its longevity and keeping it out of tire-burning facilities.

# Avoid burning tires with responsible waste management solutions

At Gradeall, we aim to provide innovative machinery that makes it more convenient for pursuing tire recycling initiatives. Our goal is to contribute towards a more sustainable future and circular economy in global tire disposal practices.

If you would like to know more about how the Gradeall range of recycling machinery can enhance your operation, get in touch with the Gradeall team (https://gradeall.com/contact/) and we

would be happy to help you find a solution that's right for you.



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(or person authorised to sign on beha	If of submitter) (A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)	

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• the reasons for your views.

My name is Lance Chapman. I am a resident, homeowner and parent living in Te Awamutu. The proposed incinerator at 401 Racecourse Road would be an absolute disaster for the people, town and neighbouring areas of Te Awamutu. The site is so close to schools, housing and farmland and will cause issues across these areas. The creation of this incinerator is done with a complete disregard of the residents, business owners, homeowners, schools and health compromised people of the area. The 24/7 operation will be a massive disruption for people in the close vicinity to the site in terms of noise, traffic in a residential area, and indeed a huge health risk to everyone in the wider area from the toxins that will be released into the air. Both my young children have asthma and already need medication to treat their symptoms, further polluting the air will only affect their breathing more, and this is true for all people with health/immunity issues. The waterways and farmland will also be contaminated, affecting livestock and crops, which could also cause health issues, not just for the people of Te Awamutu and Waipa District but that of wider New Zealand. I urge for this proposed incinerator at 401 Racecourse Road Te Awamutu to not be approved as the social, environmental and financial implications on the area will be catastrophic.

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give precise details, including the parts of the application you wish to have amended and the general nature of any conditions sought

I want the Waipā District Council to decline this application.

### I wish (or do not wish) to be heard in support of my submission.

I do wish to be heard in support of my submission (this means that you will speak at the hearing)



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Date: 13.10.23 Contact person: Lance Chapman (name and designation, if applicant)

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• the reasons for your views.

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give precise details, including the parts of the application you wish to have amended and the general nature of any conditions sought

### To decline the whole application.

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- I have served a copy of my submission on the applicant. (this is required by section 96(6) (b) of the Resource Management Act 1991)

### By emailing copies of the form to richard.falconer@terragroup.co.nz

I am strongly against the proposal to site the waste-to energy (W2E) incinerator close to a residential area, and farmland. This area is not identified as an area for industrial development in the District Plan. This will depress house and land values. It will stymie future residential growth in the vicinity of it, and have an impact on the Waipa Council's ability to plan for growth. It is near the Mangapiko stream and the area is subject to flooding. Most of the site is designated a High Risk Flood Zone. Because of this, the incinerator may become uninsurable, and the Community left with the clean up bill.

The impact of trucks transporting waste from areas outside the town will have an impact on the movement of traffic, and the noise created from the continual rumble of trucks will impact the community. As the incinerator will run 24/7 and requires a constant source of 'fuel' (waste) there will need to be stockpiles of trash with the attendant odour and flies particularly in summer.

The installation of the incinerator will send a message to the community, that the Waipa Council and the Government is not committed to reduction of waste. It will reduce the incentive to reduce, reuse and recycle. This is not what Waipa, New Zealand and the whole world is aiming for: The world, and in particular America, has moved away from this mass burning of waste. When successive Governments push for zero waste, and better energy sources are developed, the incinerator will work less efficiently with less waste to burn, which in turn will have an impact on air quality.

The incinerator has significant risks and will release pollutants – very tiny particles, into the atmosphere, including particulate matter, heavy metals, dioxins and furans. These pollutants will have an adverse effect on residents, farm animals, farmland and food sources, and contribute to air quality problems. A fully informed and clear disclosure of the impacts on human health and the environment must be provided. The problem arises of what to do with the bottom ash – as it is hazardous waste it cannot go into the landfill. The establishment of a hazardous waste area negates the reason for the incinerator in the first place. It may appear that with monitoring the W2E incinerator will have no issues, whereas in practice the community will be subject to a very different result, as long-term results reveal the impact on health and the food chain. The facility would have a CAChon footprint many times greater than the same amount of waste being sent to landfill.

The W2E incinerators are highly technical and the proposal is from a new company, Global Contracting Solutions Ltd (GCS) which has no prior knowledge nor expertise in establishing and operating a waste to energy incinerator. They wish to try out their fledging wings on the people of Waipa, and that is too much of a risk to community. The Waipa Council cannot use a 'cross your fingers' mentality on such a critical health and safety issue. GCS, as a new player in managing a W2E incinerator may be slower to pivot and adapt to changes in regulations or stricter emissions limits in the future. This again would impact the Waipa Council and the community with increased costs. Who will monitor GCS? Scientists will need to utilised to understand and interpret the complex results – this too will add extra cost on the Waipa Council.

I am totally against the granting of a non-complying land use consent to Global Contracting Solutions for this enterprise of a waste-to-energy incinerator.

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Signature of submitter:

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Date: 13 / 10/ 2023

Contact person: **Bill BURR** (name and designation, if applicant)

Postal address: 180 Arapae Road, RD 1, TE KUITI

(or alternative method of service under section 352 of the Act):

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Transport surveys were conducted during covid lockdowns so don't actually give a true representation inclination of the effects within the Waipa community for noise and traffic or anything else that was studied during this period of time (covid lockdowns).

There is nothing in their submission about the upkeep/ maintenance of roading due to the extra number of heavy vehicles moving to and from the incinerator along Waipa roading networks from Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Taupo and Taranaki.

This submission has been concentrated on mostly the Te Awamutu area and most of the surveys are for Te Awamutu. No surveys/assessment have been undertaken for the effects of extra heavy vehicles on roading, bridges passing through Cambridge or Ohaupo etc...

No surveys/assessment for transport and safety along the planned transportation of waste routes to and from the incinerator along Waipa roading networks e.g what happens if a truck carrying waste ash overturns near a school, housing or a waterway.

The extra pollution and Co2 from the heavy truck exhausts will affect the adults and children walking and cycling on the streets/roads of Waipa.

The extra noise and vibrations from the heavy trucks passing schools and residential housing will have major impacts on the health and wellbeing of our children and adults. The vibrations will cause cracking and structural defects.

There has been no health study or environmental impact study/assessment completed for the extra vehicles moving through the Waipa roading network.

The extra heavy truck vehicles will cause traffic build ups and backlogs and will cause excess damage to the roading infrastructure in Waipa. The rate payers of Waipa shouldn't have to pay for the upkeep of roading caused by these extra heavy vehicles.

Cambridge's Shakespeare street is already suffering from unrepaired roads, traffic buildups and backlogs daily at all hours. Traffic buildups and backups get worse when there is major events on in the Cambridge area, rowing events at lake Karapiro, cycling events, Field days at Mystery creek. These all causes major traffic jams in and around Shakespeare st which flows on into Cambridge town center.

There are only 2 bridges connecting Cambridge with Leamington. The high bridge on Victoria st does not allow heavy vehicles on it; so, this leaves the low level bridge (Fergusson Bridge) on Shakespeare st over the Waikato river for all traffic to flow to Leamington and Te Awamutu. If there was a waste heavy truck accident on that bridge it would cause chaos in Cambridge. It would affect emergency services getting to any residential house on the Leamington side of Cambridge.

There is no approved HPMV Network Route along Cambridge Rd from the outskirts of Cambridge to Te Awamutu.

Emergency services in Waipa, Cambridge, Te Awamutu are all volunteers and are not equipped to deal with a explosion at the incinerator, or a truck crash carrying poisonous ash waste.

There has been no culture values assessment completed

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They will need 40,000l of diesel to start the incinerator, however the applicant has stated they will only have 5,000l of diesel stored on site and this requires no resource consent. Then how will they be able to start the incinerator and get the incinerator up to temp with only 5,000l of diesel. Obviously, they will need a 40,000l plus storage tank to hold the diesel that is required to start the incinerator and will need a resource consent to build this, which they don't have.

The noise level studies were carried out during covid lockdowns so don't give a true representation of the noise around the proposed site.

No noise assessment was carried out around the proposed transport routes for the increased effects of the extra trucks on the road passing residential houses, schools, daycares etc

Burning Municipal Solid Waste is nearly equivalent as burning coal and on top of that you have all the trucks transporting the waste from there destinations (Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Taupo, Taranaki etc) to Te Awamutu and back. The Co2 theses vehicles will produce on top of the incineration burning make this type of business unpractical and unviable to meet NZ's low carbon emissions scheme.

The Ash waste (bottom ash & Fly ash) that is highly toxic full of poisons, metals and hazardous waste has no report on where the site is that its going to be dumped at. How it is going to be transported? What type of vehicles will be used to transport this ash waste. There is no safety assessment for its transport or its dumping. There is no environmental assessment/report on the effects of these two types of ash being transported and dumped in NZ.

Who is going to want to manufacture toxic hazardous ash into concrete barriers. Creating concrete barriers with toxic hazardous material is just a disaster waiting to happen.

What concrete barrier manufacturing company has the facility to house toxic hazardous ash safely then produce concrete barriers without harming the environment or the safety of its workers or the public.

If a barrier happened to be crashed into that means that toxic hazardous material will escape causing major issues in the form of dust allowing nano particles to escape in to the atmosphere.

The incinerator will pump toxic nano particles substances into the air that the companies filter screens will not be able to catch.

The company doesn't actually state what filter screens they will be using. They just say there are a variety of filter screen options they could use.

Because NZ has never had an incinerator of this size built there is no government policies or laws to actually regulate this system they propose to use at the incinerator.

Before the incinerator should be given any green light, I feel the NZ government needs to have in place policies and law for the health and safety of people and the environment. This could be a disaster in the making if this was built using the policies that we presently have in place.

There is no regulator body or regulations and no monitoring for nanoparticles emitted from incinerators. Without regulations and monitoring of emitted nanoparticles we are looking at dioxins getting in to our food and water sources creating a disaster for our agriculture industry in the Waipa.

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When dioxins settle into the fields, reserves, parks and backyards in the Waipa district, this will stop sporting events and children playing outside because of the dire health effects caused by the dioxins poisoning the ground, children and adults.

There is no regulations for fly ash and the report supplement was written on the information that the applicant had given Hdgeo, which had no idea about fly ash or what was in it.

There is no benefit for the Waipa district by transporting Municipal Solid Waste from Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Taupo and Taranaki districts.

Proposing to burn 35,000 tonnes of tyres a year doesn't meet New Zealand's air quality standards. The burning of tyres emits cyanide, Carbon monoxide, Sulphur dioxide etc. The smell from burning these tyres will be sickening and putrid for those working, playing, schooling and living in the Te Awamutu area.

Global Contracting Solutions does not have any experience of operating a waste incineration of this magnitude and because of this we cannot afford to have any teething or production problems from the get go, as this will cause safety and health issue for the community and could lead to an environmental disaster from the get go.

Global Contracting Solutions is a scrap metal business. The company does not have a very good track record of its resource consent conditions in their Hamilton operations and has had many violations.

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Signature of submitter:

Date: <u>12-10-23</u>	Contact person:	Contact person: Andrew Claridge		
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Community Waikato opposes the application for an incinerator in the Te Awamutu community. Mana Whenua have not been a part of the development of the proposal. There is no consideration of a cultural impact assessment and no disclosure of health or environmental impacts.

The proposed activity has significant potential to damage or pollute the land and the air. This is unacceptable, particularly when considering the environmental significance of the area – the ecological corridor linking Maungatautari and Pirongia te aroaro o Kahu. The implications for the biodiversity are substantial.

I understand that the land being proposed has a designation that intends the land be used for activities related to Dairy. It is ludicrous to consider burning tyres, metals, plastics and other solid waste next to a food production facility. Just as it is absurd to consider approving an activity that is likely to pollute stormwater from the site, which will be discharged into the Mangapiko Stream. Contaminated of heavy metals and dioxin have critical health implications, and filtration systems and settlement ponds do not



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eliminate all of the toxic byproducts likely be produced through incineration. This means they will make their way into the local waterways.

It is not uncommon for activities and businesses that have genuine potential to cause health and/or environmental harm to be located in lower income communities. The people of Te Awamutu (including the next generations) deserve a healthy environment and it is the responsibility of elected members to protect and preserve our communities on behalf of its citizens. As such I urge the council to decline Global Contracting Solutions' application.

#### I seek the following decision from the consent authority:

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I seek that the Waipa District Council decline the application for the incinerator proposal in full.

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Contact person: <u>Holly</u> (name and designation, if applicant)

# Postal address: POBOX 1367 Hamilton

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It is notable that the company directors and management are not proposing this incinerator to be in their backyard. They are not proposing it where they live or work. This speaks volumes to me.

An incinerator is a high-capital low-people solution, it is not focussed on growing the local economy or providing jobs to the region. The 50 jobs that it will create will not benefit our town that much. As there are no incinerators in New Zealand then it would be expected that the specialist engineer and technical roles will likely need to be filled by overseas professionals. New Zealanders don't know how an incinerator plant works as we've never had this before. This means locals will only be good for the labouring jobs, the jobs that pay the least money. The high paying jobs that require skilled labour will be filled by people brought into New Zealand on work visa's. We should be focusing on a solution that is less capital intensive and more people focused. I request, pursuant to section 100A of the Act, that you delegate your functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to one or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.

Signature of submitter: \_\_\_\_\_Addison Cooper\_\_\_\_\_\_ (or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter) (A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

Date: \_\_\_\_11/10/2023\_\_\_ Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_Addison Cooper\_\_\_\_\_ (name and designation, if applicant)

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## Form 13

Sections 41D, 95A, 95B, 95C, 96, 127(3) and 234(4), Resource Management Act 1991

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- Excessive traffic movements
- Noise control
- Environmental effects
- Hazardous health effects from carcinogenic air bourne pollutants

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I would like the Waipa District Council to decline this application.

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I object to the application from Global Contracting Solutions Limited (LU/0323/21) for the following reasons:

- 1. This will be an unregulated activity in New Zealand. There are not sufficient systems in place for an independent responsible body to regularly check the testing results of toxins in the air, to ensure the filtering system is working at 100% capacity 100% of the time. It is unethical for the Global Contracting Solutions Limited to solely perform their own checks, they can hide the true results. And even if the outside air is tested and found to contain cancer causing dioxins that the local residents are breathing, who is going to immediately shut down the factory and prosecute the company. New Zealand simply doesn't have the legislation, systems, policy and infrastructure currently in place to adequately deal with inevitable failures of the incinerator.
- 2. If this site floods then pollutants from this site are going to go all over the road and over into neighbouring properties. Once chemical bi-products are in someone's back yard and soaked into their soils it will be impossible to get out. When the incinerator fails, and it is going to, we're going to have a Chernobyl disaster in Te Awamutu.
- 3. Global warming is real and it is here. Global warming is caused by humans processing and manufacturing too much consumables. We need to change peoples mind sets and re-think how we live, the goods we consume and purchase, and the level of waste that is created from constantly buying new stuff. An incinerator does not force manufacturing factories to produce their goods in a less climate-altering way. An incinerator does not solve anything to do with our current climate change crisis. Incinerators are the worst thing for New Zealand because they give big companies a 'get out of jail free card' for creating more pollution because they don't care if they create more waste and rubbish, they can just pay a fee to burn their rubbish. A much better way for clean, green New Zealand to move forward is to encourage local manufacturers to change how they make their goods. It is to educate and incentivise households to make better choices in what they purchase, how often they just throw out the old and replace with new. If we all change our behaviours and consume less bought goods in the first place then there won't be so much going to landfill. An incinerator is just an ambulance at the bottom of the cliff. And that cliff is on fire because it is New Zealand adding to climate change.
- 4. The argument that this incinerator will create electricity is the most skewed, twisted version of the truth, as it will consume energy to run the furniss's that will create the power. The incinerator will chew through other power so that it can heat hot enough to burn rubbish and create more power that is ridiculous. There are statistics out there about how much power is generated from a wind turbine and from hydro and incinerators produce way less energy than these other methods.
- 5. An incinerator is a lazy way to deal with rubbish. There is evidence online that zero waste targets can be better achieved by other means, this US website shows that waste-based energy as a disposal means is a least preferred option:

Source: <u>https://www.epa.gov/transforming-waste-tool/how-communities-have-defined-zero-</u>

# How Communities Have Defined Zero Waste

Many communities across the country and around the world are working towards zero waste. An example of why one community chose to establish a zero waste goal and plan is explained in the Executive Summary of the <u>City of Fort Collins Road to Zero Waste Plan (PDF)</u> [2] (December 2013).

Zero waste has been described in various ways by different entities. The following examples share how some municipalities and other organizations have described zero waste.

#### Zero Waste International Alliance

**Peer-Reviewed, International Definition of Zero Waste:** "The conservation of all resources by means of responsible production, consumption, reuse, and recovery of products, packaging, and materials without burning and with no discharges to land, water, or air that threaten the environment or human health."

Government agencies that have referenced or recognized this definition include: Austin, TX; Baltimore, MD; Hawai'i County, HI; Boston, MA; Boulder, CO; Chula Vista, CA; Dallas, TX; Delaware County, PA; Los Angeles, CA; Missoula, MT; Montgomery County, MD; Oakland, CA; Oceanside, CA; Palo Alto, CA; San Diego, CA; Washington, DC, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and many other U.S. and international agencies.

Note: This definition was updated in December of 2018.

#### **U.S. Conference of Mayors**

Excerpts from 2015 Adopted Resolution - U.S. Conference of Mayors: In Support of Municipal Zero Waste Principles and a Hierarchy of Materials Management 2.

WHEREAS, the concept of zero waste goes beyond recycling and composting at the end of a product's life cycle, to encompass the entire life cycle of a product, beginning with product design, and envisioning the use and management of materials in ways that preserve value, minimize environmental impacts, and conserve natural resources; and

WHEREAS, materials management through zero waste can begin to shift the fiscal burden of waste and empower industry to embrace resource responsibility by rewarding stewardship through purchasing and economic development incentives; and

WHEREAS, while industry and the federal government have variously defined and categorized zero waste strategies, it behooves the nation's cities, with primary responsibility for waste management, to devise a definition that encourages shared fiscal responsibility and legislative innovations,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The United States Conference of Mayors adopts a definition of Zero Waste, and set of Zero Waste principles, that recognizes a Hierarchy of Material Management as follows:

- Extended Producer Responsibility and Product Redesign
- Reduce Waste, Toxicity, Consumption, and Packaging
- Repair, Reuse and Donate
- Recycle
- Compost
- Down Cycle and Beneficial Reuse
- Waste-Based Energy as disposal
- Landfill Waste as disposal

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Date:	12/10/2023	Contact person: _	_Shona Cooper	
		(name and designation,	if applicant)	

Postal address: \_\_\_\_\_\_230 Goodfellow Street, Te Awamutu 3800\_ (or alternative method of service under section 352 of the Act):

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**Form 13** 

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My submission relates to the whole application.

#### My submission is:

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the reasons for your views.

I have been a long time resident and i would hate to see my hometown (the rosetown) turn into the north islands dumping ground. Not only would it be unsightly and unsanitary, but it would also contaminate the air and cause potential health issues for residents and livestock. The waipa area is a huge farming based community/region and these toxic fumes could pose a massive treat to livestock and potentially thousands of peoples livelihoods who depend on having healthy crops/animals. The waipa region already pulls its weight when it comes to electricity creation with both the Karapiro and arapuni dams playing a huge role, Waipa is within the waikato region and waikato has 8 hydrodams. To have this new site proposed so close to this massively expanding town it would deter people from wanting to move here and therefore have a roll on effect for the towns economic status and growth.

1. The intense odour that will loom in the town will be horrible to smell and breath in. Burning rubber even just one expels a disgusting odour let alone 2-3million tyres a year which is around 5-8 thousand a day!! Te Awamutu does not want to have air pollution like hongkong where we breath through masks day in day out.

2. The town of Te Awamutu sits in a basin, the town in renowned for fog and inversion layers that linger for days on end throughout the whole year. The contaminated air in the town would be trapped under this layer of inversion/fog, if there were to be estimated around 2 tonnes of TOXIC "fly ash" everyday, the town will become a dark, pungent and uninviting town to be in especially on foggy days year round and throughout all of winter.

3. The proposal is a "Non complying" activity under the district council rules. Why should this get the go ahead when it is clearly not complying, how can this incinerator be exempt from council rules and regulations when it has massively more consequential outcomes compared to what the public get access to and have to comply with. Why do some neighbourhoods need resource consent to decide on which



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mailbox they can choose or if they are aloud to park a vehicle in their own driveway but GCS can come in and disregard council rules and regulations to pollute and release toxic fumes and tons of ash into neighbouring areas causing potential health problems for not only humans but livestock and horticulture also.

4. The proposed site is within insanely close proximity to thousands of homes and education providers especially Barnyard pre school, Te Awamutu College and Te Wananga whose facilities are within 150 metres-400 metres away from the incinerator. The ash and toxic discharge are bound to be incredibly disastrous for the health of our young people, health compromised people and elderly.

5. This new incinerator would create such a put off for potential home buyers and developers in the town therefore affecting the town's economy, appeal, and future. House value would drop but not for the right reasons and would be detrimental for the future of our residents who own homes and mortgages as their loans would be remarkably larger than their homes value and they would be unable to sell their homes therefore hundreds of thousands would be lost. This is an economic no brainer to not let this happen in our town.

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Date: \_13/10/23\_

\_\_\_\_ Contact person: Tony Curtis (name and designation, if applicant)

Postal address: tcurtis303@gmail.com

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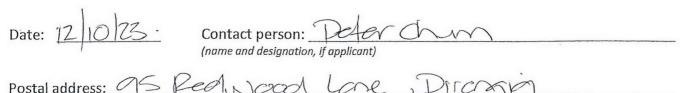
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Date: 12 10 2023

Contact person: Sandra Clarke (name and designation, if applicant)

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There is a better way to handle waste that has less effect on climate change. Also the inexperience of the applicant in never running such an operation before.

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give precise details, including the parts of the application you wish to have amended and the general nature of any conditions sought

I want the Waipa District Council to decline this application

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I oppose this application. I want the Waipa District Council to decline this application. My reasons are:

There is a better solution out there. This is not the best way to deal with rubbish and it has been proven for decades in our own backyard. Xtreme Zero Waste in Raglan is the second most eco-friendly refuse centre in New Zealand diverting 75-80% of waste from landfill and it is located right here in the Waikato. Raglan dump leads the way and shows us how refuse and rubbish can be dealt with in an environmentally friendly way.

Did you know that in Raglan, if you buy a takeaway coffee, you either need to bring your own cup, or they will serve your coffee in a ceramic cup and ask that you return the cup when you're finished with it. Coffee cups do not end up in a rubbish bin because they don't serve coffee in disposable cups. That is a change in culture. That is a new way of acting and thinking outside of the box. Creative innovative ideas to reduce waste in the first place is the best way handle rubbish in New Zealand, not to simply burn our rubbish. We're not in the 20<sup>th</sup> century anymore so stop thinking about this issue with your old hat on. Put on a new hat, a hat that represents the future for generations to come, and realise that population level in New Zealand is growing more and more as each year passes. Soon there will be 6 million New Zealanders, then 7 million, and before you know it 10 million people living in New Zealand. As the population grows, this company will need to apply to suddenly start burning 500 tonnes a day, 800 tonnes a day, 1,000 tonnes a day. In 10 years time they'll probably be burning 5,000 tonnes a day? Just to keep up with the extra rubbish that is created from a larger national population because we all still have the same consumption habits.



Kaikoura has "Innovative Waste Kaikoura – Resource Recovery Centre" also has an aim to divert as much rubbish as possible from landfill and run an education centre to change the mindset of locals towards what they purchase and how they make decisions when buying stuff.

Kainga Ora has a target of diverting 80% of waste from landfill in its large development projects. (Level, 2022) (source: <u>https://www.level.org.nz/material-use/minimising-waste/</u>)

McDonalds and BK do not use plastic straws in their fizzy drinks any more. Supermarkets don't use single-use plastic bags any more. This is just the beginning and is also the answer – don't create the waste in the first place and we don't need to build large incinerators to burn it all!

My grandad lives in Flaxmere, Hawkes Bay. He has been severely traumatised by the cyclone damage that happened down there earlier this year. That one evening of severe flooding was caused by climate change from too much pollution. Let's reduce our pollution, not keep the same levels of pollution and then just burn the crap out of it. Because burning rubbish adds to climate change. We all have a responsibility to help stop Climate Change.

The incinerator does not generate many jobs in Te Awamutu. A recycling centre / zero waste centre will keep more locals employed and require much, much less capital start up. For the sake of our local economy, we should not have a large incinerator.

Global Contracting Solutions Ltd do not have experience in the operation of waste incineration. They are just scrap metal collectors. So Te Awamutu is going to be their guinea pig town where they can trial and error how to get it right. The risk is too large and residents live in very close proximity of an incinerator that the owners have no experience in doing this.

This site is way too close to a township for an incinerator. There should never be an incinerator inside town limits with thousands of humans living and working right near / next to an incinerator. The fact they think this is a suitable location is ridiculous and shows have little regard they have for human life.

# I request, pursuant to section 100A of the Act, that you delegate your functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to one or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.

Signature of submitter: \_\_\_\_\_Lily Cooper\_\_\_\_\_(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter) (A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

Date:	09/10/2023	Contact person:	_ Lily Cooper	
		(name and designation, if	applicant)	

 Postal address:
 \_\_\_\_\_230 Goodfellow Street, Te Awamutu 3800\_\_\_\_\_

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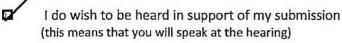
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Support parts or all of	Oppose	parts or all of	R	are neutral parts or all of	
include—					

• the reasons for your views.

Oppose - I oppose this application. I want the Waipā District Council to decline this application. As a person who has lived in Te Awamutu for 35 years, raised a family in this town and still have young adults and now a grandchild living here, I do not believe this is an appropriate use of this districts resources for our future generations. I am appalled there appears to have been no consideration given to the people who will live on the doorstep of this proposed industrial complex. No one wants to live in the vicinity of a rubbish burning facility and obviously the value of our residential properties will plummet. Of huge concern is:

• There is no assessment of land contamination included in the application. International research shows that the land surrounding incinerators can be extensively contaminated with heavy metals, microplastics and other toxic emissions including dioxin.

• The site is totally unsuitable for a large scale waste incinerator. The current "Specialised Dairy Industrial Area" designation means that the land use is intended to ensure that any activity there was aligned with Fonterra's activities.

- It is not appropriate to have an incinerator burning millions of tyres next to a milk production facility
- This area is not identified as an area for industrial development in the District Plan. Two areas are identified for industrial growth: at Bond Road and Paterangi Road.

• The location of a heavy industrial operation immediately next to existing and planned residential housing, schools and food businesses, and operating 24-hrs/day, 7day/week is not appropriate and conflicts with the intentions of the Waipā District Plan and Growth Strategy for the community.

• The very large size of the building and stacks does not fit in with the area. It will dominate, have a significant impact on the landscape and turn the entire area into the feel of an industrial zone.

Entire site is a floodplain - most of the site is designated a High Risk Flood Zone



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• The river has been straightened and narrowed over time to enable development, this is now considered one of the major causes of flooding. Allowing rivers the ability to spread to accommodate severe rainfall events in future protects infrastructure, business and housing from inundation.

• The new incinerator buildings would increase flooding spread to the Fonterra factory and houses on Factory Road, numbers 331-467

• The company wants to build its building lower than existing requirements (because it will cost them a lot more money to build to the required levels). This will mean even greater risk to the community.

Insurance companies are warning New Zealanders not to build on floodplains due to climate change.
 The incinerator may become uninsurable, and the community left with the clean up bill.

• The incinerator will use non-renewable feedstock (plastic waste, tyres, mixed solid waste & flock) to create energy: this is equivalent to a fossil fuel production plant, but much dirtier and riskier because of the different composition of the materials.

• The addition of non-renewable energy from waste works against efforts to decarbonise the energy sector.

• The incinerator will be a massive contributor to climate change. It will directly add about 150 kilo tons per year of CO2.

• The facility would have a carbon footprint many times greater than the same amount of waste being sent to landfill

• The incinerator would produce 23 tonnes/day of toxic ash which has to be landfilled. Incinerator ash contains heavy metals, microplastics and dioxins.

• The storage of highly contaminated wastewater and other hazardous substances on site risks spills and wider contamination.

• There is no risk assessment of the possibility of fire or explosion despite the storage of hazardous materials and highly flammable feedstock. The community only has a volunteer fire brigade.

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• The inclusion of 35,058 tonnes of plastic (as well as a considerable portion of MSW that includes plastic) does not align with the recently released National Plastics Action Plan for Aotearoa New Zealand by the Ministry for the Environment

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• The Waipā District Council has a great waste minimisation plan and opportunities for more comprehensive zero waste strategies that would fit with the goals of minimise wastes, while meeting community aspirations for a healthy environment, job creation and mitigation of climate emissions.

• Investing hundreds of millions of dollars into an incinerator locks in the need for continued production of waste, meaning the community misses out on other waste uses further up the waste hierarchy (like reuse, repair and repurposing).

• There is no human health assessment of this proposal

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(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter) (A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

Date: 12/10/23 Contact person: Mr Richard Chalecki (name and designation, if applicant)

Postal address: 50 Oak Ridge Drive, Te Awamutu (or alternative method of service under section 352 of the Act):

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Application as a whole

### My submission is:

I am writing to oppose the application to develop the Waste Incineration Plant in Te Awamutu, on Racecourse Road. This submission is specifically in regards to Global Contracting Solutions Ltd's application. Reasons for my opposition are listed below.

### Site Significance

- Proximity to residential areas, including Early Childhood Centres, Kohanga Reo, Kura, High School is of extreme concern.
- Residential zoning encompasses this entire site. Despite this portion of land where the development is being proposed is currently classed as industrial, the wider residential areas are significantly disadvantaged and impacted from its presence. The only access point for this property, is entirely through current residential zoning, and a future residential growth cell (T13).
- The overall height of the building is not compliant with the District Plan, and is more than double the existing permitted heights this will have an overwhelming impact on nearby residents who will have visual amenity values diminish. Staging the impact of the large building (furnace hall) with other parts of the building in front of it, does not reduce the visual impact this facility will have. Nor does decorating the façade with designs. The facility is large, and will have 38m high stacks reaching into the skyline. This is not insignificant, nor disguisable.

### Transportation/Traffic

- The proposed site is located directly on the fringe of our township, and access to the site is required through a residential area.
- The site proposes to operate 24/7, 365 days of the year and requires deliveries from heavy vehicles on all of those days and introduce **378 additional** vehicle movements per day.
- The only restriction the proposal seems to offer to nearby residents in terms of a break from these traffic movements is an extra hour in the morning on weekends and public holidays. This is completely unacceptable, and will be placing incredible stress, and safety concerns on a residential



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neighbourhood that would have to compete with industrial activity if this proposal were to be granted.

- Access to this site via Racecourse Road significantly increases safety concerns for not only residents, but also for access to one of the towns largest Early Childhood Centre that is located within 150m of the entrance to this site.
- The road is designed for small vehicles, not large, and is not suitable to handle the large vehicles that would be required to come to this site including up to 60 heavy vehicle movements per day. This further threatens existing residents, and day care centres that already operate in this area.

### Water, Wastewater and Stormwater

- A significant amount of contaminated wastewater will be produced as a part of this proposal. The applicants solution to this is to transport it offsite and out of district as this is unable to be (or considered to be) treated as part of their facility design and development.
- There are no attempts for pre-treatment at this facility of the wastewater that is produced as a result of the facilities processes. Water is a finite resource, and it is disappointing that this applicant and applications makes no regard to reducing their environmental impacts, particularly around our water resources, and giving effect to Te Mana o te Wai.
- Water conservation and the treatment of contaminated wastewater is not discussed or considered in this application. Instead the applicants solution to this, is to tanker the wastewater offsite and out of district removing any responsibility around regulation.
- The transportation of wastewater out of district further adds to carbon emissions with transportation, and providing another waste water stream that would not previously exist if this facility did not operate. This demonstrates no betterment to our current environmental situation.
- This site is located within a high flood-zone and as discussed in the application, under a 100 year flood, the site will be submerged. Given Climate Change, the frequency of 1 in 100 year storms are becoming more frequent. There is no assessment of climate change, and the impacts this will have on the flood risk of this site.
- The application also does not address any mitigations of such flooding risk on the site and the management of contaminants contained within site, and how they will be prevented from entering the environment in the likelihood of a flood (in particular, the Mangapiko Stream which surrounds the site). Chemicals, by-products, and refuse all stored on site are all at risk of entering the environment in the high likelihood of a flood at this site.
- The application states that in a 1 in 10 year storm event, no erosion or scour would occur at the stormwater discharge point. There is also no consideration made towards mitigations on any scour of the erosion point at the Mangapiko Stream following larger stormwater events. This is of concern, again for the preservation of a stream that is under significant focus to improve the water quality of, and reduce sediment loads and quality.

### Waste Minimisation

- National Waste Strategy specifically says incineration of mixed municipal waste does not align with a circular economy.
- Locally, the Waste Minimisation Management Plan includes the government targets to reduce household waste generation. Having an incinerator that needs large volumes of waste is therefore always going to hinder local and national efforts to reduce consumption, and encourage reuse, recycling, reduction, and repurpose. Investing hundreds of millions of dollars into an incinerator



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- The WMMP also includes a plan for a network of resource recovery centres. Xtreme Zero Waste in Raglan diverts 75% waste from landfill. This incinerator proposal is looking at 20%.
- This proposed development in it's entirety contradicts our districts plans for waste management and does not align with the national direction for handling waste.
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### **Carbon Emissions and Climate Change**

- The application states this proposal is a first of it's kind in our country and a new era for electricity generation. These types of electricity generators do not exist in our country and have been declined for a number of years due to poorly tested technologies, failed examples internationally, and for significant health and environmental concerns. This, is no exception.
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- The facility requires auxiliary burners fueled by diesel if the fuelstock (refuse) does not deliver required temperatures. This is also a non-renewable energy source, and requires the use of fossil fuels to ensure the facility can operate, contributing to our nations carbon emissions.

### **Environmental Health**

- The incinerator would produce 23 tonnes/day of toxic ash which has to be landfilled. Incinerator ash contains heavy metals, microplastics and dioxins.
- Taiea te Taiao was created to promote an ecological corridor to link Maungatautari and Pirongia te aroaro o Kahu. This corridor will reconnect these maunga/mountains with biodiversity plantings which will enhance native species present, transform iwi connections to the Mangapiko stream, and ultimately improve water quality. An incinerator development will undermine these efforts.



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- There also has been no ecological impact assessments this site would have on the biodiversity of this area, in particular our native species for example bats, insects, flora and fauna. There are significant impacts generated by this facility which are not considered in this application, and is a mockery of the ecological corridor work that is well underway, in this location.
- Noise levels predicted by this facility are also likely to be higher than those predicted under the
  application. Figures provided in table 13 already indicate there are likely to be non-compliances
  with neighbouring properties, and introduce a significant noise polluter to our town and given
  predominant wind direction (westerly), this will impact the entire township.
- The incinerator will produce dioxins that are cancer-causing even in extremely low levels. These will be emitted into the air, and will settle on the land and in the water. There is no safe level of dioxins, and these "bio-accumulate" meaning that over time they build up in human fat tissue and in animals.
- There is no assessment of land contamination included in the application. International research shows that the land surrounding incinerators can be extensively contaminated with heavy metals, microplastics and other toxic emissions including dioxin.
- One of the emissions from burning tyres/tyre derived fuel is zinc oxide which has not been modelled and which is highly toxic to aquatic life.
- The huge earthworks over several years will impact the health and wellbeing of the Mangapiko River

### Human Health

- There is no human health assessment in this proposal. The incineration plant is a hazardous facility with serious risks of harm to human health.
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community from a quiet residential street to an unsafe and busy thoroughfare of trucks at all hours of the day and night.

### **Cultural Impact**

- A significant conflict of interest exists with this application and has resulted in a lack of Cultural Impact or engagement around this proposal, in particular, avoiding sharing through Nga Iwi Toopu o Waipā in order to expedite the application process (reference the 'letter of support').
- The company identifies that they are a Māori majority business, and want to reassert mana whenua back into Te Awamutu, however wider iwi engagements have not occurred with this application.
- Fully informed consent from Iwi and Hapu must be part of this proposal including clear disclosure of human health and environmental impacts.
- The application states that letters of support are likely to follow post-lodgement from Fonterra and Waikato Tainui, and they will be appended to the application. Unlike the applicants statement, there have been no letters of support provided. Consultation, is not just a conversation without full context, and before the development of an Assessment of Environmental Effects, and the request of Cultural Impact Assessments or Statements.

### Air Quality

- The Air Quality section within the application is significantly light on evidence to back up their estimated PM10 and PM2.5 figures. There are also missing figures around the Annual Cumulative effect of PM2.5 the site has in comparison to the NES Maximum. In fact, the expert report provided states that the fractions of either PM10 or PM2.4 are not available.
- The application provides no literature or evidence around the impacts of particulate PM10 and PM2.5. It also ceases to recognise that this type of industry will be contributing to these health impacts.
- The introduction of these air quality contaminants into an environment and increase existing levels does not provide an example of betterment and instead increases existing levels, and places undue risk and health concerns on an entire population but especially those vulnerable. Including those who are elderly, suffer from pneumonia or other respiratory ailments, and also children.
- This site is **surrounded** (less than 500m from north eastern, eastern, southern, and western boundaries) by facilities that are attended by children. This includes (but not limited to):
  - o The Barnyard Early Childhood Centre Racecourse Road
  - Puawai Te Kohunga Reo Factory Road
  - Te Wharekura o Nga Purapura o te Aroha Factory Road
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This application does not promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources. The applicant also has zero regard for the community in which the proposed facility would operate within, especially requesting that this application be non-notified at lodgement. The facility would create waste



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streams that would not exist in this area without this facility being developed, and inexplicitly contradict the strategic direction of our district. There is a lack of regard to human health implications, and mitigations to reduce any impacts on the environment, or the wider community. There is a significant lack of social, economic, or cultural well-being considered in this application and proposed facility. It makes a mockery of safeguarding the life supporting capacity of air, water, soil and eco-systems. This proposal should be declined in its entirety.

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<u>Decline the application to develop a Waste to Energy Plant within the Township of Te Awamutu/District</u> of Waipā District.

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include—					

• the reasons for your views.

Oppose - I oppose this application. I want the Waipā District Council to decline this application. As a person who has lived in Te Awamutu for 35 years, raised a family in this town and still have young adults and now a grandchild living here, I do not believe this is an appropriate use of this districts resources for our future generations. I am appalled there appears to have been no consideration given to the people who will live on the doorstep of this proposed industrial complex. No one wants to live in the vicinity of a rubbish burning facility and obviously the value of our residential properties will plummet.

I cannot understand how the Waipa District Council have allowed this huge proposal to get this far without more investigation into the health and environmental impacts and more notification to the residents of this region who will be impacted. Of huge concern is:

• There is no assessment of land contamination included in the application. International research shows that the land surrounding incinerators can be extensively contaminated with heavy metals, microplastics and other toxic emissions including dioxin.

• The site is totally unsuitable for a large scale waste incinerator. The current "Specialised Dairy Industrial Area" designation means that the land use is intended to ensure that any activity there was aligned with Fonterra's activities.

• It is not appropriate to have an incinerator burning millions of tyres next to a milk production facility

• This area is not identified as an area for industrial development in the District Plan. Two areas are identified for industrial growth: at Bond Road and Paterangi Road.

• The location of a heavy industrial operation immediately next to existing and planned residential housing, schools and food businesses, and operating 24-hrs/day, 7day/week is not appropriate and conflicts with the intentions of the Waipā District Plan and Growth Strategy for the community.

• The very large size of the building and stacks does not fit in with the area. It will dominate, have a significant impact on the landscape and turn the entire area into the feel of an industrial zone.



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Entire site is a floodplain - most of the site is designated a High Risk Flood Zone

• The river has been straightened and narrowed over time to enable development, this is now considered one of the major causes of flooding. Allowing rivers the ability to spread to accommodate severe rainfall events in future protects infrastructure, business and housing from inundation.

• The new incinerator buildings would increase flooding spread to the Fonterra factory and houses on Factory Road, numbers 331-467

• The company wants to build its building lower than existing requirements (because it will cost them a lot more money to build to the required levels). This will mean even greater risk to the community.

Insurance companies are warning New Zealanders not to build on floodplains due to climate change.
 The incinerator may become uninsurable, and the community left with the clean up bill.

• The incinerator will use non-renewable feedstock (plastic waste, tyres, mixed solid waste & flock) to create energy: this is equivalent to a fossil fuel production plant, but much dirtier and riskier because of the different composition of the materials.

• The addition of non-renewable energy from waste works against efforts to decarbonise the energy sector.

• The incinerator will be a massive contributor to climate change. It will directly add about 150 kilo tons per year of CO2.

• The facility would have a carbon footprint many times greater than the same amount of waste being sent to landfill

• The incinerator would produce 23 tonnes/day of toxic ash which has to be landfilled. Incinerator ash contains heavy metals, microplastics and dioxins.

• The storage of highly contaminated wastewater and other hazardous substances on site risks spills and wider contamination.

• There is no risk assessment of the possibility of fire or explosion despite the storage of hazardous materials and highly flammable feedstock. The community only has a volunteer fire brigade.

• Te Awamutu will need to import almost all of the material for this facility from outside of the district. This is not a proposal for the benefit of the community.

• The company has no contracts for the delivery of the feedstock except from its own operations (as Global Metal Solutions). This means it is impossible to know what hazards, risks and emissions exist because only a small percentage of the feedstock is known. It also means that the company is more likely to burn recyclable materials and other things because it must always continue to operate. It will directly work against efforts to minimise waste.

• The inclusion of 35,058 tonnes of plastic (as well as a considerable portion of MSW that includes plastic) does not align with the recently released National Plastics Action Plan for Aotearoa New Zealand by the Ministry for the Environment

• Incineration does not replace the need for landfills - instead it takes ordinary materials and concentrates them into more toxic ash.

• The Waipā District Council has a great waste minimisation plan and opportunities for more comprehensive zero waste strategies that would fit with the goals of minimise wastes, while meeting community aspirations for a healthy environment, job creation and mitigation of climate emissions.

• Investing hundreds of millions of dollars into an incinerator locks in the need for continued production of waste, meaning the community misses out on other waste uses further up the waste hierarchy (like reuse, repair and repurposing).

• There is no human health assessment of this proposal



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• The incineration plant is a hazardous facility with serious risks of harm to human health. The plant will emit cancer-causing dioxins and furans, sulphur dioxide, nitrogen oxide, mercury and particulate matter will be released into the air.

• Dioxins damage the human immune system and cause cancer. Studies have shown direct links to non-Hodgkins lymphoma, increases in risks of miscarriages and pre-term delivery of babies. There are links to reduced male fertility. Exposure to particulate matter impacts those with respiratory problems such as asthma, cardiovascular issues, the elderly and children.

• In the Netherlands, research conducted indicated that the high dioxin output from waste incinerators could be responsible for contamination of cow's milk and meat. As a result, the production and sales of dairy products from was prohibited for several years.

• In 2016, human-made (anthropogenic) air pollution in New Zealand resulted in an estimated 3,317 premature deaths (in people aged 30+ years). The largest causes were NO2 and PM2.5. There were 32 premature deaths due to air pollution (PM2.5 and NO2) in Waipā District (among people aged 30+ years) in 2016. The incinerator will significantly add to these pollutants, and therefore, contribute to the premature death of Waipā residents.

• Under NZ's air quality standards, it is illegal to burn even one tyre because the health and environmental effects are so toxic - yet, this project is proposing to burn 35,000 tonnes a year. Burning tyres emits cyanide, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, and products of butadiene and styrene. And the smell of those tyres burning will fill the community with an unbelievable stench.

• The odour and dust have not been adequately assessed. There is no indication of how often the start up/maintenance will be done and levels exceeded.

• There will be significant additional traffic in a residential area, adding to air pollution and impacting those who are old, very young and immunocompromised. It will change the nature of the community from a quiet residential street to an unsafe and busy thoroughfare of trucks at all hours of the day and night.

### I seek the following decision from the consent authority:

give precise details, including the parts of the application you wish to have amended and the general nature of any conditions sought

### PLEASE DECLINE THE WHOLE APPLICATION.

### I wish to be heard in support of my submission.

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I have served a copy of my submission on the applicant.
 (this is required by section 96(6) (b) of the Resource Management Act 1991)

I request pursuant to section 100A of the Act, that you delegate your functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to one or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.

Signature of submitter: J Chalecki

(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter) (A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

Date: 12/10/23 Contact person: Mrs Janice Chalecki (name and designation, if applicant)

### Postal address: 50 Oak Ridge Drive, Te Awamutu

(or alternative method of service under section 352 of the Act):

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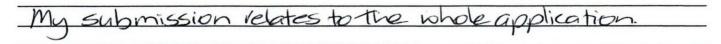
APPLICANT'S NAME: Global Contracting Solutions Limited LOCATION: 401 Racecourse Road, Te Awamutu

I am/am not\* a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991.

I am/am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that-

- (a) adversely affects the environment; and
- (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

The specific parts of the application that my submission relates to are:

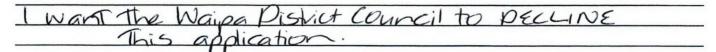


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I wish (or do not wish) to be heard in support of my submission.

- I do wish to be heard in support of my submission (this means that you will speak at the hearing)

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I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission (this means that you will not be advised of the date of the hearing and will not speak at the hearing)

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I have served a copy of my submission on the applicant. (this is required by section 96(6) (b) of the Resource Management Act 1991) My name is Sally Clark and I live locally in Kihikihi. I moved from Hamilton 3 years ago to live semi-rurally and love this area.

I am concerned for the entire region with this application for an incinerator, particularly with the proposed location being so close to schools and creches. This will directly affect the health of up to (or more than) 1800 children/youth attending many local facilities, including one just 150m from the proposed site. Jane Bremmer, a Toxics Researcher in Australia notes children are not little adults and chemicals interrupt fundamental windows od development, causing long term impact, chemical body burderns are increasing by general and our children (including in-utero) are the most vulnerable.

Referring to the Ministry for the Environment's factsheet "A waste to energy guide for New Zealand", I don't believe this plant meets any of the Four basic principles.

Principle 1 – As a non-renewable feedstock, burning waste does not meet this principle and would in face move New Zealand further down the waste hierarchy.

Principle 2 – The environmental impact of producing exhaust gases (including greenhouse gases) and fly ash would be huge, particularly with the site so close to the Mangapiko Stream.

Principle 3 – The site would not be commercially viable over the long term as landfills would still be required to dispose of the waste and transport required to move the waste to the plant and the ash to the landfill.

Principle 4 – The application does not have strong community support.

This is untested technology in New Zealand and the applicant has no experience in waste technology. There has been no human health assessment undertaken. Overseas studies show the extreme danger of toxic waste associated with incinerators.

The application does not contain a formal Cultural Impact Assessment. An incinerator would have a huge detrimental impact on the ecological corridor linking Maungatautari and Pirongia te aroaro o Kahu. Stormwater from the site, which will likely be contaminated with heavy metals and dioxin, will be discharged into the Mangapiko Stream.

Incinerators produce cancer-causing dioxins even in extremely low levels. There is no safe level of dioxins and over time they build up in human fat tissue and in animals.

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The entire site is a floodplain – most of the site designated a High Risk Flood Zone. Insurance companies in New Zealand are warning not to build on floodplains due to climate change. There is potential that the incinerator may become uninsurable and the community would be left with the clean-up bill. The facility would leave a carbon footprint many times greater than the same amount of waste being sent to landfill.

Of huge concern is the risk of fire or explosion – Te Awamutu only has a volunteer fire brigade.

Almost all the feedstock for the incinerator will need to be imported from outside of the district which would not benefit the community.

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Signature of submitter: \_SClo\_\_\_\_

(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter) (A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

Date: 12/10/2023 Contact person: <u>Sally Clark</u> (name and designation, if applicant) Postal address: <u>POBOX 34</u>, Kilikihi, Te awamutu 3841

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