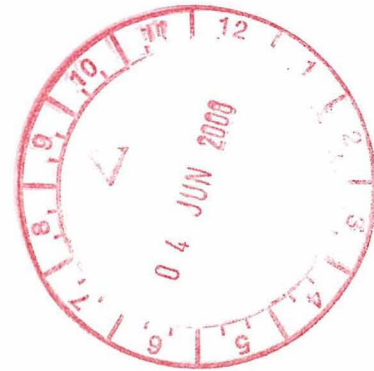


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Dear Ms Omar

RE: Odour from RRRC Waste Composting Facility

I write to bring to your attention - and that of the government - the disgusting situation that that has occurred in Leeming and surrounding suburbs.

For the past 4-5 years we have had to put up with repulsive smells coming from the RRRC. This has had a significant impact on my family's quality of life. Due to the odour we have been denied many simple things in life like be able to open a window and let in fresh air. Having friends over for a barbecue is also often a big risk as the foul smell can make it very unpleasant to stay outdoors. I have two young children who on many occasions have refused to play outside due to the smell.

We have had to endure this situation now for approximately 5 years. In this time there have been an infinite number of excuses as to why the facility smells as it does. This has ranged from broken doors, bio-filters too wet, bio-filters not made of right materials and poor facility management. Even after millions of additional dollars have been spent and assurances that this would fix the problem the smell continues. In fact it continues as I write this letter to you now.

Having to live in the stench is bad enough but the continual refusal by facility management to accept that the problem exists and is of their making has been even more annoying. The management at the facility rarely accept that it is them producing the odour - despite the fact they have spent millions to fix it. When making complaints we are continually asked to explain how we know that the smell is coming from their facility although this has been confirmed many times by City of

Canning and Department of Environment staff. I have little confidence that current management have the expertise to fix the problem as they have been unable to fix it thus far.

The current situation is completely unacceptable. We do not live in a third world country and should not have to live under these conditions. There is no logical reason as to why the facility was built where it was - i.e. in close proximity of a residential area. As it is clearly having a detrimental affect on the surrounding community I demand that the facility be closed down immediately. Five years out of our lives is more than enough.

Your assistance in making this happen would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Lee Clissa