

Alice Pepper of the Conservation Council of Western Australia, 2 Delhi St, West Perth, in the State of Western Australia am the promoter of this petition which contains

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signatures.

Signed.....

# Petition for a parliamentary inquiry into the appointment of the Independent expert Panel on Uranium Regulations by the Director General of the Department of Mines and Petroleum August 2010.



To the Legislative Council of the State Parliament of Western Australia

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia assembled.

We, the undersigned residents of Western Australia request that the Legislative Council examine the appointment, make up and relevant expertise, of the newly appointed Panel on Uranium Mining by way of a parliamentary inquiry. In addition we ask that the Legislative Council examine the terms of reference, transparency and independence of the newly appointed panel.

Response to public concerns about the introduction of uranium mining to WA, the Department of Mines and Petroleum recently awarded a contract to the Australian Centre for Geomechanics to examine WA's ability to adequately manage this noxious industry. We the undersigned residents of Western Australia are concerned about the level of transparency of the Panel and the process by which it was selected and appointed, given that access to the full terms of reference for the panel has been denied, and there are no requirements for the panel to engage in any way with the public. The Australian Centre for Geomechanics is funded by mining companies which have vested interests in uranium mining, compromising the independence of the panel. We ask the legislative council to further investigate the suitability, expertise, independence and transparency of the panel and the process by which this tender was approved.

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

I certify that this Petition is in conformity with the Standing Orders of the Legislative Council

  
A/ CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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