

Dear Standing Committee on Environment and Planning,

Please accept this submission to the Victorian Parliament's Standing Committee on Environment and Planning 'Inquiry into nuclear prohibition'.

We are currently in a period of great social change. Necessary change to deal with the varied challenges we collectively face socially and physically.

Climate change is to me a symptom of the crisis of our relationships, particularly our relationship with the planet we inhabit.

I have been connected to the nuclear issue for around 40 years. Too complex to describe all of that journey, but briefly from the heady days of mass demonstrations for Palm Sunday rallies to opposition to uranium mines in the northern Territory.

In summary we don't need nuclear to solve the climate challenge, it would simply create more issues. The nuclear industry is not a net benefit to humans or the planet.

Don't reverse a decision that took so much effort, analysis and understanding. Leave it in the ground for all our sakes.

Yours sincerely,

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