Dear Editor

It was with great alarm that we heard about our re-possessed nuclear waste returning from France and being transported by road from Port Kembla to Lucas Heights.

Temporary storage of this waste at Lucas Heights highlights the significant dangers of radioactive waste. The nuclear industry has yet to find a solution to the disposal of this dangerous material which remains hazardous for tens of thousands of years.

We echo Greenpeace’s concerns about future plans to make Australia a nuclear waste dump for the rest of the world. As the recent ReachTEL poll showed, nearly three quarters of Australians oppose plans to store nuclear waste from other countries.

In addition, calls for the development of nuclear power in Australia with its radioactive 'waste problem' lack justification. Sustainable, non-polluting technologies already exist to generate electricity and Australia is better placed than most countries to take advantage of these new technologies.

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