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Comment on Tentative Findings – Nuclear Fuel Cycle Royal Commission

The Waste Management Association of Australia (WMAA) is the peak body for all stakeholders in the waste and resource recovery industry. Our purpose is to assist our members to facilitate sustainable waste and resource management. We do this through leadership, collaboration and knowledge sharing.

We have over 2,000 members nationally based in a broad range of business organisations, the three tiers of government, universities and community groups. Our members are involved with a range of important waste management and resource recovery activities within the economy, including community engagement and education, infrastructure investment and operations, collection, manufacturing of valuable products from resource recovered materials, energy recovery and responsible management of residual materials. Our membership includes a significant base in South Australia.

The waste, recycling and remanufacturing industry in South Australia is a significant contributor to the State's economy and environment. The industry contributes through:

- A turnover of over \$1 Billion in South Australia¹
- A Gross State Product of \$500 million¹
- Employing 4,800 Full Time equivalent persons in South Australia¹
- Recycling reduces greenhouse gas emission by 1.23 million tonnes of CO₂-e in South Australia²

¹ RWA, Review of South Australia's Waste Strategy 2011-2015, February 2014

² ZWSA SA 2012-13 Recycling Activity Report

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With reference to the points in the *Tentative Findings* paper that pertain to the management of wastes (namely Exploration, Extraction and Milling points 11 a and 11b on page 5, and points 62 through to 102 on pages 15- 20), our members have a keen interest in the management, storage and disposal of waste. This includes member companies which are actively involved in nuclear fuel cycle waste management in Europe and are therefore well placed to bring experience to bear on this topic.

As the peak body for waste management in South Australia, the WMAA SA Branch welcomes the opportunity to be involved in future discussions and consultation on this issue.

We thank you for your consideration of WMAA's feedback. If there are any queries please contact the undersigned.

Yours Sincerely

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