

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

## **Petition**

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Title:	Noise and Air Pollution from the Ron Goodin Power Station
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Presented by:	Dr Lim
Referred To:	Minister for Essential Services
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TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

Noise and Air Pollution from the Ron Goodin Power Station

We the undersigned respectfully showeth our great dissatisfaction with the level of noise and air pollution from the newly installed turbine generator at the Power Station.

Your petitioners do humbly observe that the turbine noise is audible up to 2.5km from the power station and the noise level in the streets around The Fairway, Range Crescent, Berger Court and Kilgariff Crescent is intolerable.

Your petitioners do further observe that air pollution from fumes emanating from the power station has increased with the installation of the turbine generator, with soot fallout and fumes affecting our enjoyment of our homes and our health.

Your petitioners do humbly pray that the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory urgently take the necessary steps to reduce the noise and air pollution which has impacted on our lives.

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

## Response

Local residents have raised concerns about Power and Water Corporation's nearby Ron Goodin Power Station through direct contact with PowerWater and by signing a petition that was recently tabled in the Northern Territory Parliament.

I have sought from the Power and Water Corporation an update on what is being done to address these matters.

PowerWater has advised:

- Sound consultants Hayes Mckenzie have been engaged to monitor the sound levels at the Golf Course Estate and Kilgariff Crescent. Monitoring was completed in October and a report, including recommendations to solve the noise issue, is expected next month. Power and Water will assess the report and recommendations, and implement the necessary engineering solutions.
- A survey to monitor soot levels in the Golf Course Estate commenced in early November.
  Samples from a number of properties, including swimming pools, were collected and are being tested in an independent laboratory that will provide Power and Water with a report on the results.

I trust this information is of some assistance and look forward to further advice being provided to local residents on the outcomes arising from these steps.