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Hon Matthew Kean
Minister for Energy and Environment, NSW
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Dear Minister Kean

RE: Proposed Landfill Community Fund (LCF)

ALOA proposes that a Landfill Community Fund be created to assist local communities by diverting a portion of the State Landfill Levy to environmental, cultural, historical or natural habitat pursuits. Under the LCF, Landfill Operators will pay a portion of their landfill levy to the LCF which will then deliver projects for the benefit of the Communities and Environment in the immediate vicinity of various landfill sites.

The key areas for use of the LCF are:

1. The reclamation or restoration of land which cannot currently be used
2. The provision, maintenance or improvement of public parks
3. The conservation or creation of a natural habitat for indigenous species
4. The restoration of a place of historic or architectural interest

The LCF should be created in accordance with the terms of approval and prescribed by legislation. It should be independent and report to the Regulator on expenditure by key areas (as above).

Typical projects could include the provision/improvement to Community Halls, sporting facilities, public playgrounds, nature reserves or community gardens.

The LCF could report to the Regulator on a quarterly basis on the sustainability of each project and the extent to which each project has achieved its original intended outcome.

As a point of discussion, it is proposed that the LCF be supported by a diversion of 5% of the current landfill levy.

We are available to discuss this proposal at your convenience. I can be contacted on 0409 290 209.

Yours sincerely



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CEO ALOA

About ALOA

The members of the Australian Landfill Owners Association (ALOA) responsibly manage the majority of the waste disposed of in Australia. We pride ourselves on high levels of engineering and compliance. We have been active for over 13 years and exist to specifically provides feedback on behalf of our industry to governments on legislation and regulations.