



Radiation Health and Safety Advisory Council ('Council')

Meeting Minutes

- Date:** 2 September 2020
- Time:** 9.00 am – 11.00 pm (AEST)
- Location:** via Microsoft Teams
- Chair:** Dr Roger Allison
- Members:** Dr Carl-Magnus Larsson, Dr Hugh Heggie, Mr Keith Baldry, Prof Pam Sykes, Ms Melissa Holzberger, Prof Adele Green, Dr Peter Karamoskos, A/Prof Melanie Taylor, Dr Jane Canestra, Dr Trevor Wheatley, Mr Jim Hondros.
- Apologies:** N/A
- Secretariat:** Mr James Wheaton.
- Observers:** Mr Jim Scott, A/Prof Ivan Williams, Dr Gillian Hirth, Ms Tone Doyle, Ms Julie Murray.

1. Meeting Open

The Chair welcomed the Council and opened the meeting at 9.00 am. A declaration was made by one Member who noted they previously worked with the Barngarla people on the Olympic Dam project. It was noted that this was a special meeting to discuss a letter from the Barngarla letter.

2. Letter from Barngarla

Item 2.1 Letter from Barngarla Determination Aboriginal Corporation (BDAC)

The Council discussed a letter received from BDAC, via the Member representing the interests of the general public, that was tabled and previously discussed at Council's 27-28 July 2020 meeting. The letter sought to present BDAC's background concerns and position, for the Council's consideration, around the Australian Government's (Department of Industry, Innovation and Science) process to establish a National Radioactive Waste Management Facility (NRWMF).

The Council agreed to issue a letter of reply to BDAC with the following key messages:

- Note their concerns and position, and that the Council had considered their letter.
- Note the Council's advice to the CEO of ARPANSA dated February 2017, on ARPANSA's role as an independent regulator and radiation health and safety advisor for a NRWMF.

3. Meeting Close

The meeting was closed at 10.00 am.