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NLC AND NGAPA TRADITIONAL OWNERS SHOW LEADERSHIP WHILST NT LABOR WALLOWS IN IDELOGICAL QUICK SAND

Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, says he congratulates the NLC and the Ngapa traditional owners for showing leadership and courage in making the decision to nominate a site for a National radioactive waster repository.

Gerry says that aboriginal people have shown by making this decision they aren’t the puppets of Labor or any other group who oppose this facility.

The importance of the Lucas Heights reactor and the benefits it brings to our nation has been recognised by these aboriginal people. They went and visited Lucas Heights which is more than members of the NT Martin Government have done with the exception of Robert Knight who went just this year.

The NT Government had a chance to pick a site, but it wallowed in its own political bun fight with the Commonwealth instead of looking at the importance of showing leadership in regards to this important issue. For sure some of its concerns about the Commonwealth may have been well founded but by making that the centre of attention they have missed a golden opportunity to show the rest of the country we support Lucas Heights and the benefits it brings to Australia.

Our government could have shown that State and Territory parochialism can be a millstone around the neck of the advancement of our nation.

But no, Labor didn’t do that. It was left up to the NLC and the Ngapa people to show independent thinking and leadership.

Gerry says these people should be congratulated and supported for their decision. After all the dooms day, flat earth society members and luddites will be doing everything to defeat this proposal.

Gerry thinks it’s also time the CLP supported this proposal instead of following the Chief Minister.

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