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IEMMA REJECTS NUCLEAR OPTION FOR NSW

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NSW Premier Morris Iemma today said that Prime Minister John Howard would have a major fight on his hands if he wanted to build a nuclear power station in NSW.

"John Howard will have the fight of his life on his hands if he thinks the Iemma Labor Government is going to support having a nuclear power station in NSW," Mr Iemma said.

"I will stand up for the people of NSW against John Howard's nuclear ambitions.

"We currently have legislation in NSW that outlaws nuclear power, and we have absolutely no intention of changing that law so long as I am the Premier.

"There are better, cheaper, safer and more effective ways of facing the challenge of climate change than the rush to build a nuclear power station in NSW.

"I challenge NSW Liberal Leader Peter Debnam to today categorically rule out any support for a nuclear power station in NSW," Mr Iemma said.