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State Development, Infrastructure and Industry Committee
Parliament House
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By Email: SDIIC@parliament.qld.gov.au

Attention: Mr David Gibson MP, Chair



RE: SDPWO (State Development Areas) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2014

We refer to your letter dated 8 July 2014 requesting comment on the above matter.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on the State Development and Public Works Organisation (State Development Areas) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2014 (the Regulation). The objective of the Regulation is to amend the State Development and Public Works Organisation (State Development Areas) Regulation 2009 to declare the Galilee Basin State Development Area (GBSDA).

The GBSDA is very important to our plans for developing rail infrastructure in support of the Alpha Coal Mine and Kevin's Corner Mine in the southern the Galilee Basin. The state development area will assist with facilitating the certainty to secure massive upfront infrastructure investments.

It has always been imperative that we secure certainty for our joint venture partners, shareholders, financiers and other stakeholders by having ability to secure the tenure and regulatory approvals to develop and operate our railway from Alpha and Kevin's Corner Coal Mines to the Port of Abbot Point in North Queensland. The GBSDA is a vital element for the company in that regard.

We support the Queensland Government's declaration of the GBSDA through the Regulation.

We are confident that as the original proponent and first mover in 2008 Hancock Coal Infrastructure Pty Limited will move progressively towards commencement of our mine, rail and port projects.

Please contact me at the above address if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Paul Taylor". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "P" and "T".

Paul Taylor
General Manager Approvals