



## Gladstone Ports Corporation

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Hon. David Gibson MP  
Chair  
State Development, Infrastructure & Industry Committee  
Parliament House  
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Dear Sir

### **STATE DEVELOPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND PLANNING (RED TAPE REDUCTION) AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2014**

Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission on the State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (Red Tape Reduction) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014. GPC has reviewed the Bill and would like to make the following comments.

The Part 3 Amendments to the *State Development and Public Works Act 1971*, nominate that alterations to the Act will increase the power and flexibility of the State Development Area (SDA) development schemes. Of particular interest to GPC is *Clause 52, Section 79A* of the Act, which identifies the forms of development that will be controlled by the Coordinator General.

GPC would like to bring to the Chair's attention, that within the Gladstone SDA, GPC has land which is designated as Strategic Port Land, and as such GPC is the Planning Authority for development which is not regulated by the SDA development scheme (i.e. Reconfiguration of a lot & Operational Works). GPC considers that in relation to determining the "Operational" conditions, and land configuration for a development of Strategic Port Land, that it is best placed to assess and regulate matters relating to core port activities. It is considered that the proposed amendments to the SDA development schemes will remove GPC's ability to regulate port activities on Strategic Port Land, which are within the Gladstone SDA.

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In this regard, GPC is seeking consultation from the Department on the changes, so that a full understanding is gained of the implications to GPC with the future regulation of development on Strategic Port Land.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments. If there are any question relating to the above information, please do not hesitate to contact GPC's Sarah Hunter on 49761 287.

We look forward to working with the Department on this matter in the future.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. S. Doyle'.

CRAIG DOYLE  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER