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Mr Mal Osborne
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Dear Mal,

BHP Billiton Iron Ore additional comment on Draft Port Hedland Place Plan

Thank you for providing BHP Billiton Iron Ore (BHP Billiton) the opportunity to comment on the draft Port Hedland Waterfront Place Plan (Place Plan). BHP Billiton has previously commented on the initial release of the draft Place Plan and I attach a copy of our previous correspondence dated 11 July 2014.

BHP Billiton's position remains unchanged. We continue to support the Town of Port Hedland's (ToPH's) aspirations for a successful landside and waterside development. The recommendations in the Place Plan are supported by BHP Billiton excluding recommendation 7.1.1(1). In the Executive Summary it is stated the "*recommendations have therefore focused on the general locale of Port Hedland's urban foreshore*", but recommendation 7.1.1(1) and other comments in the Place Plan favour the Spoilbank as the preferred location in comparison to Cooke Point. We continue to believe the best way to make Port Hedland a more attractive place to live is to support a major landside and waterside development at Cooke Point not the Spoilbank.

We support the Town's consultative 'placemaking' approach. However, we understand the placemaking workshops held to date have only been attended by 54 people, with the majority of attendees from recreational boating groups (e.g. the Yacht Club) and elected members and employees of the ToPH. We query if the views of the Port Hedland community including Port users are fully reflected in the workshops held to date.

We look forward to the working collaboratively with the Town and State Government to continue to deliver outcomes that will make Port Hedland an attractive and desirable place to live.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Mal

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I refer to Caroline Fenton's email of 26 June 2014 to Chris Cottier and Rob Carruthers attaching the draft Place Plan and thank you for the invitation to provide comment. BHP Billiton Iron Ore (BHP Billiton) supports the consultative approach being adopted by the Town of Port Hedland (Town) in setting a vision for the proposed Port Hedland Waterfront development.

The Company has worked collaboratively with the Town over many years to deliver community infrastructure to improve the liveability of Port Hedland. Our operations in the Port are anticipated to continue for the next hundred years or more, and we are committed to continuing to support the Port Hedland community in the long term.

The Company's interest is to ensure the location and land use mix of the proposed Waterfront development is based on orderly and proper planning principles.

Our concern remains the potential for long term land use conflict in the West End between residential and the operation of the world's largest bulk export port, and the threat this conflict poses to the primacy of the port and BHP Billiton's operations. Consistent with the Government's Dust & Noise Taskforce recommendations we will continue to oppose permanent residential development on the Spoilbank and old Hospital site.

We believe Cooke Point is to be preferred as the location for a waterfront and landside development that contains permanent residential development. We hold a first right of refusal over the former Detention Centre site, which the Commonwealth is considering to dispose of. We believe this site could form a central component of the landside development necessary to support the proposed Port Hedland Waterfront development.

Kind regards

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