

30 April 1999

Mr Ian Dundas
Secretary
Standing Committee on Primary Industries and Regional Services
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Dundas

The Hunter Region development organisations have developed a submission to the inquiry into infrastructure into Regional Areas which is attached. We had previously received an extension to 30 April 1999 from your office.

The submission was developed through considerable consultation, and although brief, highlights the issues which we believe are important for the Hunter Region's economic and employment development.

We would urge the Committee to visit the Hunter to conduct a hearing and speak to all the parties involved in developing this submission to gain a thorough understanding of not only what infrastructure needs exist, but also the considerable activities and initiatives which are taking place in the region at the grass roots level.

I would be happy to assist your office in arranging a hearing in the Hunter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours sincerely,

Kath Elliott
Executive Officer
Hunter ACC