



## Appendix C – List of Witnesses & Public Hearings

### **Monday, 20 April 2009 - Burnie**

#### Advance Burnie

Mr Peter Symonds, Director

Mr Lee Whiteley, Director, Deputy Chairman

#### Australian Paper

Dr David Ryder, Group General Manager

#### Burnie Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Mr Andrew Barry, President

Mr Alan Berechree, Vice-President

Mr David Dwyer, Member

#### Burnie City Council

Mr Paul Arnold, General Manager

Mr Rodney Greene, Director, Community & Economic Development

#### Central Coast Council

Mr Michael Downie, Mayor & Councillor

#### Cradle Coast Authority

Mr Roger Jaensch, Executive Chairman

#### Kentish Council

Mr Don Thwaites, Mayor

Latrobe Council

Mr Michael Gaffney, Mayor

Tasmanian Regional Arts/Burnie Arts Council

Mrs Lynne Price, Vice President

The Advocate Newspaper Pty Limited

Mr Rodney Tremayne, General Manager & Chairman

University of Tasmania

Ms Janelle Allison, Director - Institute for Regional Development

**Tuesday, 21 April 2009 - Launceston**

ACC - Tasmania

Mr Simon Boughey, Board Director

Dr Tim Cory, Chair

Mr Michael Gordon, Board Director

Mrs Ally Mercer, Board Director

Mr Craig Perkins, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Gil Sawford, Board Director

Dorset Council

Mr John Martin, General Manager

Mr Peter Partridge, Mayor

Launceston Chamber of Commerce & ACC - Tasmania

Ms Louise Clark, Executive Officer (Chamber) & Deputy Chair (ACCT)

Launceston City Council

Mr Francis Dixon, General Manager

Mr Albert van Zetten, Mayor

Launceston Ratepayers Association Incorporated

Mr Lionel Morrell, President

Northern Tasmania Development

Mr Michael Steele, Director

Mr Robert Wallace, Chief Executive Officer

Northern Tasmania Regional Development Board

Mr Des King, Chair

St Helens & District Chamber of Commerce

Mrs Natacha Bennett, President

Mr Glen McGuinness, Member of Executive Committee

Tasmanian Small Business Council

Mr Geoff Fader, Chair

Timber Communities Australia Tasmanian State Office

Ms Eva Down, Northern Tasmanian Co-ordinator

Mrs Karen Hall, Member and North East Tasmania Branch Vice President

**Wednesday, 22 April 2009 - Geelong**

ACC - Geelong

Mr John Hansen, Executive Officer

City of Greater Geelong

Mr Terry Demeo, Co-ordinator, Statutory Planning

Committee for Geelong

Mr Peter Dorling, Executive Director

Deakin University

Professor Sue Kilpatrick, Pro Vice-Chancellor, (Rural & Regional)

G21 - Geelong Region Alliance

Dr Andrew Scott, Chief Executive Officer

Geelong Chamber of Commerce

Ms Lawrie Miller, Executive Director

Geelong Manufacturing Council

Mr David Sykes, Chairman

Geelong Otway Tourism

Mr Roger Grant, Executive Director

Golden Plains Shire

Mr David Spear, Manager Executive Projects

Gordon Institute of TAFE

Mr Grant Sutherland, Chief Executive Officer

**Thursday, 23 April 2009 - Ararat**

Individual

The Hon David Hawker, MP

AME Systems

Mr Christian Carthew, General Manager

Ararat Rural City Council

Councillor Gwenda Allgood, Mayor

Mr Stephen Chapple, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Clyde Humphries, Manager, Economic Development

Committee for Portland

Ms Anita Rank, Executive Officer

Grampians Pyrenees Regional Development Board

Ms Angela Hunt, Executive Officer

Grampians Tourism

Mr Chris Burchett, Chief Executive Officer

Grampians Tourism Inc.

Mr Ross Hatton, Board Chairman

Greater Green Triangle - ACC

Mr David Francis, Executive Officer

Horsham Rural City Council

Mr Tony Bawden, General Manager of Corporate Services & Economic Development

Cr Bernard Gross, Mayor

Northern Grampians Shire Council

Mr Glen Davis, Chief Executive Officer

Councillor Kevin Erwin, Mayor

Port of Portland Pty Ltd.

Mr Jim Cooper, Special Projects Manager

Mr Peter Gracias, Manager, Business Development

Mr Scott Paterson, Chief Executive Officer

Pyrenees Shire Council

Councillor Robert Vance, Mayor

**Wednesday, 29 April 2009 - Geraldton**

Central West TAFE

Mr Bert Beevers, Managing Director

City of Geraldton-Greenough

Mr Anthony Brun, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Ian Carpenter, Mayor

Geraldton Fisherman's Cooperative Ltd.

Mr Wayne Hosking, Chief Executive Officer

Mid-West Gascoyne RDA

Mrs Karen Godfrey, Executive Officer

Mid-West Development Commission

Mr Stephen Douglas, Chief Executive Officer

Mid-West Gascoyne - ACC

Mr Ian Wheatland, Committee Member

Shire of Northampton

Mr George Parker, Shire President

**Thursday, 30 April 2009 - Busselton**

Bunbury Wellington Economic Alliance

Mr Matt Granger, Chief Executive Officer

Busselton Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Mr Peter Gordon, President

Mr Ray McMillan, Chief Executive Officer

City of Bunbury

Mr Trevor Ayers, Economic Development Officer

Mr David Smith, Mayor

Donnybrook-Balingup Shire Council

Cr Stephen Dilley, Shire President

Shire of Augusta-Margaret River

Mr Gary Evershed, Chief Executive Officer

Cr Steve Harrison, Shire President

Shire of Busselton

Councillor Wesley Hartley, Shire President

Mr Andrew MacNish, Chief Executive Officer

South West Development Commission

Mr Donald Punch, Chief Executive Officer

**Friday, 1 May 2009 - Mandurah**

City of Mandurah

Ms Patricia Creevey, Mayor

Mr Ian Hill, Director, Community & Economic Development

Mr Mark Newman, Chief Executive Officer

Fairbridge Western Australia Inc.

Mr Mark Anderson, Chief Executive Officer

Peel Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Mr John Matthew, President

Peel Community Development Group

Ms Donna Selby, Regional Coordinator

Peel Development Commission

Ms Colleen Yates, Manager Regional Development

Shire of Murray

Ms Christine Thompson, Acting Shire President

Mr Dean Unsworth, Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale

Ms Joanne Abbiss, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Denyse Needham, Shire President

Small Business Centre Peel

Mr Paul Buckley, Chief Executive Officer

**Monday, 6 July 2009 - Sydney**

Abacus - Australian Mutuals

Mr Mark Degotardi, Head of Public Affairs

Ms Louise Petschler, Chief Executive Officer

Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT)

Mr Jeremy Styles, Deputy Zone Principle Legal Officer, Central South Eastern Zone

Australian Bankers Association Inc.

Mr David Bell, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Stephen Carroll, Director - Regional & Rural Policy

Community Legal Centres NSW Inc.

Mr Alastair McEwin, Director

Ms Amanda Smithers, Board Member & Co-Convenor of Regional, Rural and Remote Committee

Genworth Financial

Ms Kristen Foster, Head of Government & Industry Affairs

Mr Peter Hall, Country Executive and Director

NSW Business Chamber

Ms Louise Southall, Policy Adviser, Regional Business Initiatives

NSW Legal Assistance Forum

Mr Alan Kirkland, Chair

The Law Society of New South Wales

Mr Joseph Catanzariti, President

Tourism and Transport Forum

Mr Evan Hall, National Manager, Tourism

Ms Fiona Landis, Tourism Manager

Mr Euan Robertson, National Manager, Research

**Tuesday, 7 July 2009 - Broken Hill**

Barrier Industrial Council Broken Hill

Mr Daniel O'Connor, President

Broken Hill City Council

Mr Desmond Bilske, Acting General Manager

Business Broken Hill

Mr Robin Edgecumbe, President

Far West Community Legal Centre

Mr Neville Gasmier, Coordinator

Ms Rebecca McIlveen, Principal Solicitor



Far West Credit Counselling Service

Mrs Sherrie Wilkins, Financial Counsellor

New England and Western Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service

Ms Margaret Kelly, Tenant Advocate

Pastoralists Association of West Darling

Mrs Susan Andrews, Vice President

Regional Development Australia - Farwest/Outback

Mr Scott Howe, Acting Chief Executive Officer

**Tuesday, 4 August 2009 - Beenleigh**

BDS Group of Companies

Mr David Kemp, Managing Director

Business GC Advisory Board

Mr John Witheriff, Chairman

Chamber of Commerce & Industry Queensland

Mr Tom Tate, Regional Chairman - Gold Coast & Hinterland

Gold Coast City Council

Ms Anne Norton-Knight, Advocacy Officer

Mr Grayson Perry, Manager, Economic Development

Gold Coast Tourism

Mr Paul Donovan, Chairman

Mr Martin Winter, CEO

Logan City Council

Mr David van den Brule, Manager, Economic Development

Marine Queensland

Mr Donald Jones, General Manager

Nation Building Australia Pty Ltd.

Mr Dave Cooke, Director

Mr Mark Salmon, Director

Scenic Rim Regional Council

Mr Anthony Magner, Director, Development Services

**Friday, 14 August 2009 - Canberra**

Australian Local Government Association

Mr Adrian Beresford-Wylie, Chief Executive

Department of Education, Employment & Workplace Relations

Mr Graham Carters, Deputy Secretary, Employment

Ms Margaret Kidd, Group Manager, Employment Reform Taskforce Group

Department of Human Services

Mr Greg Amie-Fong, Assistant General Manager, Child Support Program Enforcement Services, Business Analysis and Improvement

Ms Moya Drayton, General Manager, Education, Employment & Support Programs, Centrelink

Ms Jenny Thomson, Acting First Assistant Secretary, Families and Income Support Division

Mr Tim Bennetts, Business Manager, Rural and Climate Change, Rural Policy & Programs, Centrelink

Ms Catherine Rule, National Manager, Client Business, Centrelink

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Local Government

Ms Stephanie Foster, Deputy Secretary

Mr Marcus James, General Manager, Regional Development Policy Branch

Department of Innovation, Industry, Science & Research

Mr Stephen Payne, Division Head, Manufacturing Division

Mr Paul Sexton, General Manager, Customer Services Branch, AusIndustry

Mr Richard Snabel, General Manager, Industry Policy & Economic Analysis, Industry & Small Business Policy Division

Ms Sue Weston, Deputy Secretary

Ms Judi Zielke, Head of Division, Enterprise Connect

Department of Resources Energy & Tourism

Ms Jane Madden, Head of Division, Tourism Division

Department of Resources, Energy & Tourism

Miss Lisa Chirio

Dr Chris Locke, General Manager, National Energy Market Branch, Energy and Environment Division

Ms Dianne McGrath

Mr Christopher Stamford, General Manager, Minerals Branch, Resources Division

National Farmers' Federation

Mr Charles McElhone, Manager, Trade & Economics

### **Thursday, 3 September 2009 - Townsville**

DS Enterprises

Mr Colin Dwyer

James Cook University

Prof Andrew Vann, Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor

Townsville Chamber of Commerce

Mr Craig Stack, President

Townsville City Council

Mr Todd Barr, Strategic Policy Officer, Economic Development & Strategic Projects Unit

Mr David Lynch, Executive Manager, Economic Development & Strategic Projects Unit

Townsville Enterprise Limited

Dr Lisa McDonald, General Manager, Economic Development

**Monday, 28 September 2009 - Darwin**

Alice Springs Town Council

Mr Damien Ryan, Mayor

Darwin City Council

Mr Frank Crawley, General Manager, Corporate Services

NT Government

Ms Fran Kilgariff, Executive Director, Regional Development, Department of Regional Development, Primary Industry, Fisheries and Resources

Ms Cate Lawrence, Acting Senior Director, Infrastructure Strategy and Sustainability, Department of Planning and Infrastructure

Dr Sarah Louise Rummery, Director, Economic Policy, NT Treasury

Ms Marj Morrissey, General Manager, Sustainability, Strategic Planning and Policy, Department of Planning and Infrastructure

Mr Ian Prince, Acting Executive Director Economics and Policy, Business and Industry Development, Department of Business and Employment

Ms Valerie Smith, Acting Manager, Strategic Services, Tourism NT

Mr Jeff Stewart, Director, Trade and Investment, Department of the Chief Minister