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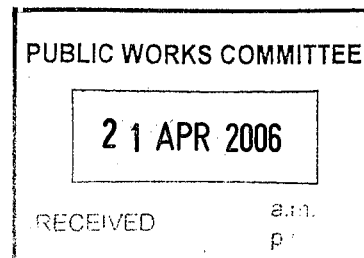
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The Hon Judi Moylan MP
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Dear Ms Moylan

HMAS CAIRNS REDEVELOPMENT – SUPPLEMENTARY SUBMISSION

I am writing in response to Submission No. 2 from the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries (Qld) in relation to the HMAS CAIRNS Redevelopment.

Background

The Committee's Inquiry Secretary forwarded to us a copy of Submission No. 2 by facsimile on 18 April 2006. In their submission, the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries (Qld) advised that, "an operational works [permit] may be required under the Integrated Planning Act 1997, if seagrass or other marine plants are found or likely to be disturbed during the wharf expansions".

Supplementary Submission

An Operational Works Permit for tidal works will be applied for from the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries (Qld) for construction of the Navy wharf widening and the access jetty to the commercial wharf. There may be potential for disturbance to seagrass or other marine plants during construction of the abutment for the access jetty to the commercial wharf, therefore permission for such disturbance will be included in this permit application.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Alan McGrath on 02 6266 8546 if you have any questions regarding this request.

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Acting Director General Infrastructure Asset Development

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