Dear Mr Dundas,

Following informal discussions that I have had with Fran Bailey recently, and subsequently with Catherine Bright, I would like to formally submit the attached document "MINIMUM ACUTE CARE REQUIREMENTS OF RURAL TOWNS" to the enquiry on regional Infrastructure and development, chaired by Fran Bailey.

This document has been prepared by a subcommittee of the Rural Doctors Association of Australia, in response to what we perceive as the downgrading of health services' infrastructure in rural Victoria.

This process of downgrading is however occurring throughout Australia, and thus our paper has national application.

If you are unable to open this attachment, I will arrange for a copy to be sent to you directly from a compatible computer.

Many thanks, Graham Slaney President elect RDAV

cc Nola Maxfield President RDAV