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Dear John

Please find enclosed a copy of the feasibility study undertaken for the National Capital Authority (NCA) for the upgrade of the existing buoyed rowing course in Lake Burley Griffin Canberra to an international standard "Championship" course. You will recall we discussed this study earlier in the year.

The study examined many physical and operational requirements for such a course and concluded that it is technically feasible. I note however the costs of lake edge reshaping are considerable and the potential for impacts on a range of lake values would need to be further assessed.

The NCA has also copied the study to the Australian Sports Commission, the Australian Institute of Sport and representatives of Rowing Australia and the local rowing fraternity.

If you require any additional information do not hesitate to contact the NCA officer responsible for the project Mr Bruce Chalmers on 6271 2800 or bruce.chalmers@natcap.gov.au.

I trust you are well and hope we can get together in the near future.

With best regards

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Chairman
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