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Parliamentary Joint Committee on
Corporations & Financial Services
Room SG.64
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600



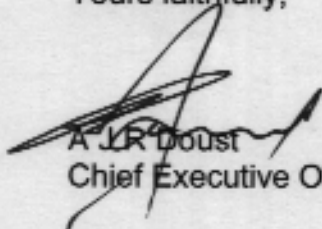
Dear Dr Dermody

Council at its meeting on 28th August 2002 considered the terms of reference of the Committee inquiring into the level of banking and Financial Services available to Australians living in rural, regional and remote areas of Australia.

The availability of banking services is a matter of concern to this Council given that Wiluna is a remote community. Council resolved accordingly:-

- (1) *That Council agrees there is a need to improve banking services in rural and remote areas, given that the nearest bank to Wiluna is at Kalgoorlie some 534 kms to the South.*
- (2) *That encouragement/incentives be provided to banking institutions to provide circuit mobile services to remote areas on a regular basis, eg, once every two weeks."*

Yours faithfully,



A. J. R. Doust
Chief Executive Officer