Dear Andrea

As outlined in our letter of 19 January 2018, we act on behalf of submitters 80, 167, 172, 181, 203, 208, 216 and 222.

We wish to advise that we support the adjournment request on the basis of Counsel availability.

We do not wish to make any submissions at the Directions Hearing on Friday 2 February 2018.

Kind regards

Gemma Robinson
Associate

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The Review Panel notes that requests to be heard were required by 19 January 2018, in accordance with the letter and Directions issued by the Review Panel on 28 December 2017. Indicatively, this has resulted in some 48 days of hearings, with 13 days in Stage 1 (18 parties) and 35 days in Stage 2 (69 parties). Should the request on behalf of the Minister for Planning be granted, it is likely there will be no Stage 1 or Stage 2 process (and a break between the two) as the commencement date of 13 March 2018 (with Easter) may merge into the week of 16 April 2018 (at least until the week of 9 April 2018).

As a consequence, the Hearing may go over a 12 week period, which may take it to early June 2018. As the Review Panel indicated at the Directions Hearing that it would consider hearing the geographic Fishermans Bend precincts concurrently if practicable, this may reduce the number of weeks required, depending on the availability of members.

The matters to be discussed at the second Directions Hearing will predominantly be confined to the issues raised in the letters on behalf of the Minister for Planning.

Kathy Mitchell, Chair  
Fishermans Bend Planning Review Panel

Regards, Andrea

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