



Office of the Director General

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Dear Mr Hickey

**Planning Proposals PP\_2010\_BALLI\_013\_00 and PP\_2010\_BALLI\_014\_00 – Gateway Determination extension**

I refer to your request on 13 August 2012 seeking an extension of time to complete the Planning Proposals PP\_2010\_BALLI\_013\_00 and PP\_2010\_BALLI\_014\_00 for the Cumbalum Release area.

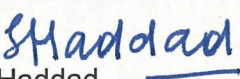
I have determined as the delegate of the Minister, in accordance with section 56(7) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, to amend the Gateway Determination dated 15 February 2011 for PP\_2010\_BALLI\_013\_00 and 12 February 2011 for PP\_2010\_BALLI\_014\_00 by extending the time for the completion of the Planning Proposals each by an additional six (6) months.

The Planning Proposals are now due for completion by 19 February 2013 (Precinct A) and 22 February 2013 (Precinct B). Council is required to submit the planning proposals to the department within three months (expiring 19 or 22 November 2012), to allow sufficient time for legal drafting and finalisation within the six month period.

If Council does not submit the proposals within this timeframe, the department will consider a recommendation to the Minister that an alternate relevant planning authority be appointed. In this regard, Council should consider whether it could progress the proposals more rapidly by forwarding them to the department to commence legal drafting prior to the final adoption of the Voluntary Planning Agreements.

Please contact Jim Clark of the department's Northern Regions Office if you wish to discuss the matter.

Yours sincerely

  
Sam Haddad  
Director General

5/9/2012.