Professor Mary O'Kane Chair, Independent Planning Commission By email: ipcn@ipcn.nsw.gov.au

Dear Professor O'Kane.

West Culburra Concept Proposal

I am advised by the Trust's professional advisers that they are collectively very disappointed and dissatisfied with the peer review report commissioned by the IPC.

In their opinion the UNSW Water Research Laboratory (WPL) review of the West Culburra Mixed Use Concept Plan:

- 1. fails to demonstrate an understanding of the proposal;
- 2. fails to adequately respond to the water management plans and supporting data with respect to their impact (NorBE) on the Crookhaven River estuary;
- 3. fails to recognise that the active diversion of drainage from, and the achievement of NorBE with respect to, the minor encroachments on the catchment of Lake Wollumboola and that these encroachments conform with the relevant policies;
- 4. demonstrates a lack of understanding of standard development practice with respect to staging; and
- 5. demonstrates a lack of understanding of approval processes where different levels of government are concerned.

The inadequacy of the WPL review is such that the Trust's advisers are concerned that the Independent Planning Commission may form an incomplete understanding of the proposal.

The Trust and its professional advisers consequently request they be provided an opportunity to address the IPC to correct any misunderstandings and to elaborate their concerns.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Robert Tong AM Chair.

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