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Dear Chair

FINGERBOARDS MINERAL SANDS PROJECT EES REVISED INCORPORATED DOCUMENT

The Department of Transport (**the Department**) has considered the Kalbar's (**the Proponent**) revised Incorporated Document (**IAC version 2**) dated 25 June 2021, document number 531.

Since our Hearing submission, the Department has been in discussions with the Proponent to resolve our concerns and where possible agree revised drafting to the Incorporated Document.

The Department is appreciative of how the Proponent has considered our submissions and notes that many of our concerns are now resolved.

To assist you in your considerations of this Project, an up-dated Transport position on the Incorporated Document (**Attachment 1**) is provided. There remain two key areas of outstanding concern and our position is illustrated with track changes.

Issue 1- Development Plan - The Department's views on the Development Plan remains unchanged. The Department requests the ability to review and approve the Development Plan to ensure that all transport issues are considered, planned and mitigated in an integrated approach in response to the Project.

Issue 2 - Decommissioning Plan - The Department's views on the Decommissioning Plan remain unchanged. The Proponent revised Incorporated Document details that the Decommissioning Plan currently only requires 'consultation with' the Head Transport for Victoria. The Department does not consider this wording to be adequate to protect the transport interest's of the State. Given the significant transport assets and network implications, it is appropriate and orderly planning for the Decommissioning Plan to be prepared and approved to the satisfaction of the Head, Transport for Victoria.

The Department is happy to provide additional information or explanation as required. Please contact Paris Dickson on [REDACTED] or email: [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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