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Dear Mr Green

Eagleton Quarry Project – SSD 7332 Land and Environment Court proceedings 2024/00328102

I am writing on behalf of Save Balickera Inc., an organisation formed to represent the interests of residents and other members of the community concerned about various developments proposed to devastate Balickera and surrounding areas.

You may recall we participated as an objector in a meeting with the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) in respect to this matter on 31 May 2024 and at the conciliation conference in relation to the subsequent Land & Environment Court proceedings on 5 March 2025.

However, at that time we were unaware of certain relevant facts in relation to the applicant for this project. Specifically, we were unaware that the directors representing Eagleton Rock Quarry Syndicate before the IPC, Darren Williams and Murray Towndrow, were both involved in another project as directors of Williamtown Sand Syndicate Pty Limited which had been found recently responsible for extensive breaches of the environmental legislation and biodiversity conditions.

I attach a copy of the relevant undertaking made with your Department and signed by Mr Towndrow and Mr Williams, which documents the breaches to which I refer.

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In view of this information, we have the following questions:

- 1) Was this information about the applicant's representatives considered by the Department when making its recommendations to the IPC in relation to the Eagleton Quarry Project?
- 2) Was this information about the representatives of the applicant in any way conveyed to the IPC decision makers so that it could inform their deliberations?
- 3) Were any government bodies or agencies or potential objectors made aware of this previous undertaking signed by Mr Towndrow and Mr Williams?
- 4) On what date was a copy of this undertaking made publicly available and by what means?
- 5) Why is this undertaking not readily located with a search of the Department's website?
- 6) Has the donation of \$20,000 to the wildlife charities been made by Williamtown Sand Syndicate Pty Limited?
- 7) Aside from this donation, has any other action been taken to correct (as far as possible) the breaches of biodiversity conditions and the harm to the environment occasioned by Williamtown Sand Syndicate Pty Limited?
- 8) Has this background about the representatives of the applicant in relation to Eagleton Quarry Project been included in the material provided to the Land & Environment Court so that it can inform their decision making?

We look forward to your prompt response.

Yours faithfully



Anna Kerr
President, Save Balickera Inc