

The Honourable Lindy Nelson-Carr MP Member for Mundingburra

> Minister for Environment and Multiculturalism

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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Queensland Parliamentary Service Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to your letter of 10 August 2006 to the Honourable Desley Boyle MP concerning the petition received by the House from Lois Levy (principal petitioner) of GECKO opposing the proposed cruise liner terminal in the Southport Broadwater and related commercial development in the public open space on the Spit or on the Broadwater foreshore. As I have now been appointed Minister for Environment and Multiculturalism, I am pleased to respond to your letter.

In response to the petition, it should be noted that, on 19 August 2006, the Premier announced that the proposed Gold Coast Marine Development Project, which included the cruise ship terminal and marina developments, would not proceed due to concerns raised in an environmental impact study on the project. The strong environmental requirements for the project could not be met while achieving economic, financial and other goals.

I hope this information is helpful to you.

Yours sincerely

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