

**Lucas Clarke**

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**From:** Graham Marshall  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 16 October 2013 11:54 AM  
**To:** Mark McCann  
**Cc:** Tracey O'Meara  
**Subject:** FW: Abbot Point Paragraphs  
**Attachments:** Abbot Point Paras.doc

Hi Mark

See attached input from the CG. Phone me on ext 42433 if you want to discuss further.

Graham

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**From:** Gwen Rose [<mailto:Gwen.Rose@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 16 October 2013 11:26 AM  
**To:** Graham Marshall  
**Subject:** RE: Abbot Point Paragraphs

Hi Graham

See attached input from OCG, as approved by the Coordinator-General.

Thanks

Gwen

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**From:** Graham Marshall [<mailto:Graham.Marshall@premiers.qld.gov.au>]  
**Sent:** Monday, 14 October 2013 1:34 PM  
**To:** Gwen Rose  
**Subject:** Abbot Point Paragraphs

Hi Gwen

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The relevant part of the incoming letter to the Premier stated:  
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Sorry for the tight timeframe but an email by 10am this Thursday is required.

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## Request from Premier's:

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## CG Response:

- The Queensland Government is working with a number of projects proponents, with the aim of opening up the Galilee Basin coal resources and boosting Queensland's economic development.
- With respect to the rail and port infrastructure requirements to facilitate development of the Galilee Basin, the Government has made clear its policy position. In June 2012, the Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, announced the government's preference for the development of two common rail corridors to service the Galilee Basin through to the Port of Abbot Point and noted that the government was considering what support it could provide through the use of the Coordinator-General's powers such as the declaration of State Development Areas. While the Government stated that it would not consider supporting rail proposals that were not related or linked to the then preferred east to west and south to north common rail corridors, proponents could continue to progress their proposed projects at their own risk.

**Comment [651]:** CG Comment - There wasn't any contract. Nothing was decided or committed to even then.

- Proponents continue to pursue their proposals for the Galilee Basin, and in this context, the Coordinator-General decided that the Galilee Coal Project (Northern Export Facility) defined by Waratah Coal, as assessed (mine and rail), could proceed subject to a range of conditions to adequately manage environmental and social impacts. The project as assessed by the Coordinator-General is currently being considered by the Commonwealth. Waratah Coal also has two applications with the Coordinator-General for declarations for Infrastructure Facilities of Significance for its rail and port developments. These applications are under assessment by the Coordinator-General.
- Regarding port development at Abbot Point, in December 2012 the Government announced the proposed expansion of the coal handling and export facilities at Abbot Point, beyond the existing infrastructure and prospective terminals, T0, T2 and T3 ( the AP-X Project) and invited registrations of interest in the process. In April 2013 the government announced the preferred proponents and made it clear that other parties, (including Waratah Coal) were free to engage with the preferred proponents regarding access to the infrastructure proposed for development.

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**From:** Anthony Crack  
**Sent:** Friday, 11 October 2013 6:47 PM  
**To:** Tracey O'Meara  
**Subject:** Fwd: Commercial in Confidence - draft ECM for review  
**Attachments:** D13 44315 Attachment 3 - Executive Council Minute.DOC; ATT00001.htm

Regards

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**Subject:** FW: Commercial in Confidence - draft ECM for review

David/Anthony

Attached is a confidential draft ECM Exempt Sch.3(3)(1)(e) Disclosure of consideratio

Would appreciate any comments. Happy to discuss

Leighton

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Exempt Sch.3(3)(1)(f)Draft of Executive Council matter

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