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To whom it may concern,

**RE: CLEARING PERMIT CPS 7270/1: UPDATE FROM ANNA PLAINS CATTLE COMPANY PTY LTD**

In relation to Clearing Permit CPS 7270/1, issued 12 December 2017 and to satisfy condition 10 (c), Anna Plains Cattle Company Pty Ltd (Anna Plains) would like to advise that no vegetation clearing authorised under this permit has been undertaken, and, as a result the purpose for the permit, 'irrigated fodder production' has not yet commenced.

The irrigated fodder project requires the current GWL 160619 groundwater allocation is increased from 600,000 kL to 2,100,000 kL per annum, which was applied for in 2017 and is currently under Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) assessment. Condition 7 of CPS 7270/1 requires *'the planting of crop species occurs within three months of the authorised clearing being undertaken'*. Anna Plains have been cautious not to proceed with the irrigated fodder project prior to DWER completing their assessment to avoid a non-compliance with Condition 7, however given the vegetation clearing permit expires 12 December 2022, Anna Plains have commenced drafting an application seeking to extend the expiry date to align with DWER approval to increase groundwater allocation. Anna Plains expect to submit the application to DWER via a C4 Form within the week.

Effective early July 2022, Anna Plains engaged specialist consultants Gayle Williams (enviroMINDED based in Broome) and Emma White (Opaline Consulting) to provide approvals coordination and compliance support for the new proposed irrigation project.

If you have any queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me on [REDACTED] or via email [REDACTED]

Yours Sincerely,

David Stoate

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**Anna Plains Cattle Company Pty Ltd**