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Dear Mr Taylor	the En	7 AUG
Invitation to comment on referral Karnup Sand Mining Project, Baldivis	, WA	ote D D D Str

I am writing to you, as the delegated contact for the Western Australian Minister for Environment; Heritage, Mr Albert Jacob JP MLA, in relation to consultation on actions being assessed under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

We have received a referral of a proposed action from Urban Resources Pty Ltd to operate the Karnup Sand Mine, Stakehill Road, Baldivis, Western Australia, for consideration under the EPBC Act.

We are currently undertaking an assessment to decide whether this proposed action requires approval under the EPBC Act before it can proceed. The referral may be viewed or copied from the Department's website, www.environment.gov.au/epbc.

As a delegate of the Minister for the Environment, I am writing to invite you to provide any relevant information as to whether you consider the proposed action is likely to have a significant impact on any of the matters protected under the EPBC Act.

In addition, we would be grateful if you could provide the Department with your views on the assessment approach you believe is appropriate to assess the impacts of the project, in the event that it is determined to be a 'controlled action'.

In particular, we would appreciate your advice as to whether the proposal should be assessed at the Western Australian state level, using one of the processes agreed under the bilateral agreement with the Commonwealth.

In accordance with the EPBC Act, we need to receive your response by 14 August 2015. Please quote the title of the action and EPBC reference, as shown at the beginning of this letter, in any correspondence. You can send information to the Department:

by letter

Mr Tim Wyndham Director South West Assessments Section Assessments (WA, SA, NT) & Air Branch Department of the Environment GPO Box 787 CANBERRA ACT 2601 by email Tim.Wyndham@environment.gov.au by fax (02) 6274 1620

If you have any questions about this process, please contact Mr Tim Wyndham and quote EPBC 2015/7533.

For your information, the Department has recently published an *Environmental Impact* Assessment Client Service Charter (the Charter) which outlines the Department's commitments when undertaking environmental impact assessments under the EPBC Act. A copy of the Charter can be found at: http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/publications/index.html.

Yours sincerely

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