



Department of Planning and Community Development

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As Addressed

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: OCEAN ACCESS BOAT RAMP, BASTION POINT, MALLACOOTA
ENVIRONMENT EFFECTS STATEMENT
EAST GIPPSLAND PLANNING SCHEME, PERMIT APPLICATION 162/2007/P
CLARIFICATION OF DIRECTIONS FROM 25 FEBRUARY 2008**

In its directions dated 25 February 2008 the Panel made as direction number one the following:

- 1. East Gippsland Shire, DSE and DPCD must circulate all relevant correspondence (hard copy and e-mail) relating to the project since the last Directions Hearing (12th September 2007) excluding those subject to legal privilege.*

The Inquiry has been asked to clarify this direction. The Inquiry is interested only in substantive correspondence related to either advice given on process or particular issues so that no parties are disadvantaged in the Inquiry process.

The Inquiry is not interested in correspondence or e-mails relating to minor issues such as arranging meetings unless they include substantive issues which should be in the public arena.

If the correspondence could be considered to be of a confidential nature (for example under legal privilege, Ministerial briefings etc...) then there may be sound reasons for not circulating it and the Inquiry leaves some measure of discretion in this case with the authors of such correspondence.

Please contact Nicole Maloney in this office on 03 9637 9690 with any queries.

Yours faithfully

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INQUIRY CHAIR