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Dear Sir/Madam

RE: Bluff Road Quarry Mining Lease

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Bluff Road Quarry Mining Lease proposal.

Council generally supports the Bluff Road Quarry Mining Lease proposal in principle, however mindful that mining operations have the potential to impact on adjoining land owners and/or residents in a number of ways. As such Council needs to have regard to matters that need to be adequately addressed to protect its residents and assets.

Noting that the primary purpose of the land in which the mining site is proposed is for primary production. Nevertheless the Regional Council of Goyder Development Plan's inclusion of provisions specific to mining shows that at least some mining is anticipated in the locality. However the provisions make it clear that any development in the locality should not affect the capacity of the surrounding land to be used for their intended use, that being primary production, as well as maintaining environmental quality.

The report and information provided supporting the application failed to reference the impact on Council's road network in the vicinity of the subject land.

Council's specific comments and concerns are outlined below.

A primary concern for Council is the requirement that Council's roads be maintained due to the proposed heavy vehicle haulage route and impact on Council's roads to ensure that the applicant bears all costs associated with this development and not Council's rate payer base.

Council requests that before granting approval further information is required including a traffic impact study prepared by an experienced and qualified traffic consultant that outlines the following:

1. Upper and lower heavy vehicle volumes for the road network throughout the life of the development.

2. The ability for the existing road network to convey the proposed upper and lower volumes of vehicles, details of how S.C Heinrich intends to ensure that they will bear all costs associated with the maintenance of roads as a result of this development.

Council acknowledges that it is not the relevant assessment body in this instance and asks that if the above information is not supplied to Council that the concerns in regards to these critical issues Council has the powers under the Local Government Act 1999 to impose a load limit along Bluff Road to ensure that existing service levels are not adversely affected by the proposed mining lease if the development does not manage increased traffic appropriately.

Alternatively, Council could also seek to enter into an agreement with associated bank guarantees that ensure that the applicant is responsible for renewing the road infrastructure assets for the life of the development.

If you need any more information or would like to discuss this further, please contact me on telephone 8892 0110.

Yours faithfully,

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