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Via Email: vicky.sanford@dwer.wa.gov.au

Dear Vicki

FOI Scope Reductions

Thank you for your response. Please can you explain why your correspondence is titled "privileged and confidential". Given that there is no legal relationship between us, there is no basis for DWER to be asserting privilege or confidentiality. Is there some other basis upon which DWER is asserting privilege and confidentiality? Please note that CAPS do not accept these claims.

1. DER 2017/2064 – Groundwater Contamination

We have considered your suggestion. Please confirm that an application of a Basic Summary of Records under the Contaminated Sites Act will provide a list of all sites which have been reported as suspected or which have been classified as contaminated which have been or may have been contaminated by Alcoa's Wagerup facility.

From our review of the form, it appears we need to provide the address of sites for which we wish to seek records. We do not have this information available to us. If you are able to assist in confirming what is available under the Contaminated Sites Act, we will consider withdrawing our FOI request. However, from our review of the Contaminated Sites form, we do not see how the information we are seeking is available except under FOI.

2. DER2017/2065 – Desalination Plant

We have considered your suggestion and agree to a reduction in scope to a timeframe. The timeframe we require is from 1 January 2014 to 1 September 2017.

3. DER2017/2066 – Alcoa Compliance

We confirm that the reduction in scope '*...is restricted to correspondence between the Department and Alcoa.*' We also agree to a reduction in timeframe from 1 January 2013 to 1 September 2017.

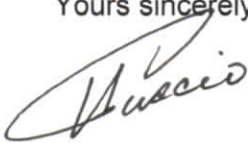
4. **DER2017/2067 – Alcoa Third Unit Expansion**

CAPS confirm that our request was, as originally submitted, in relation to the Wagerup Unit 3 expansion. There is no reference to complaints. CAPS confirm the wording of our original request.

Other Comments

We confirm that the Department can remove 'personal information' relating to third parties or remove any identifying details to third party businesses or companies; and removing the names of agency officers.

Yours sincerely



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