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The Hon Geoff Brock MP  
Minister for Local Government  
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Dear Minister

I write to inform you that the South Australian Local Government Boundaries Commission (the Commission) has conducted an inquiry into a publicly initiated council boundary change proposal (the Proposal) referred to the Commission by Mr Dale Morphett (the Proponent).

The Proposal seeks to relocate the boundary between the Copper Coast Council and the Barunga West Council (affected Councils), affecting a number of parcels of land located north of Black Rock Road and Kinnear Road and south of the township of Tickera (the subject area). The Proposal, if implemented would result in the subject area being moved from the Copper Coast Council into Barunga West Council.

In accordance with s 30(7)(a)(ii) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the Act), the Commission determined that the Proposal was an administrative proposal, as, in the opinion of the Commission, it was to correct an anomaly that is generally recognised.

The Commission conducted its inquiry in accordance with s 30 of the Act and the Commission's *Guideline 6 – Proposals Initiated by Members of the Public*. As the inquiry has now concluded, the Commission has prepared the *Tickera Township Proposal Inquiry Report* (the Report). The Report will be published in accordance with the s 30(4)(a) of the Act.

The Report outlines the proposal background, details of the inquiry undertaken by the Commission, along with its findings and recommendation. The Inquiry was undertaken with information provided by the Proponent, the affected Councils, community consultation and thorough research into the relevant matters identified in the Commission's Inquiry and Engagement Plan.

In summary, the Commission has determined that there is no substantial evidence to support the implementation of the Proposal.

**The Commission therefore recommends that the Tickera Township Council Boundary Change Proposal does not proceed.**

In accordance with s 30(3) of the Act, you are invited to provide comment on this matter and the Commission's recommendation. Following consultation with you, the Commission will finalise its report and publish it on the Commission's web page in accordance with s 30(4)(a) of the Act. The Commission will also provide you with a copy of its final report on the Proposal and notify affected parties of the outcome of the Commission's Inquiry.

If you have further queries about the Proposal, please feel free to contact the Boundaries Commission's Executive Officer, Mr Peter Ilee on 7133 1414 or by email to [boundaries.commission@sa.gov.au](mailto:boundaries.commission@sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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