

SUBJECT: Queensland Aquarium and Maritime Museum (the Museum), and Irrelevant information withdrawal from Market-Led Proposal (MLP) process

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 Rachel Hunter
 Director-General
 Department of State Development,
 Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning

Date 13 / 7 / 2018

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that you:

- **sign** the attached letter to the Museum MLP proponent acknowledging its withdrawal from Stage 2 of the MLP process (**Attachment 1**)

- Irrelevant information

KEY ISSUES

- Since progressing to Stage 2: detailed proposal of the MLP framework in March 2016, the Museum proponent consortium consisting of Crossley Architects, Advanced Aquarium Technologies and the Queensland Maritime Museum has been unable to secure seed funding, an equity investor, operator or financier, or demonstrate the commercial viability of the concept.
- A key milestone deliverable, including an agreement with an equity investor, operator and seed funder to develop the detailed proposal, was due on 30 June 2018. On 29 June 2018, the proponent advised in writing that it is withdrawing from the MLP process (**Attachment 3**).
- A letter accepting the Museum proponent's withdrawal and termination of the Process Deed is provided at **Attachment 1**. This notice will formally close the MLP process and the proposal will be removed from the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning's website information.

- Irrelevant information



- Discussions with the Minister's office about how and when the market will be advised, or not, is continuing with your departmental officers.



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Queensland Aquarium and Maritime Museum

Email: Refused under section 47(3)(b) of the RTI Act

Dear Refused under se

Thank you for your letter of 29 June 2018 regarding the Queensland Aquarium and Maritime Museum (the Museum) Market-Led Proposal (MLP) and its withdrawal from the MLP framework.

The Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning acknowledges your decision to dissolve the Museum consortium and withdraw from the MLP Framework. As such, the Process Deed (Variation 1 dated 26 January 2017) is now terminated.

I thank you for your participation and appreciate all your efforts in developing the detailed proposal under the MLP process.

I acknowledge your desire for an orderly withdrawal from the process, and also to ensure all confidentiality obligations are maintained. As you are aware, section 39 of the Process Deed executed on 22 December 2016, identifies those obligations. The obligation of confidentiality will continue to apply following the termination of the deed.

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Maggi van Rensburg, Director, Major Projects and Property, on (07) 3452 7736 who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

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Subject: Correspondence from the Director-General, Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning - Our ref: WR18/28166
Attachments: [Redacted].pdf

Good afternoon

Please find attached correspondence from Ms Rachel Hunter, Director-General, Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning.

Kind regards,



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29 June 2018

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Dear Ms van Rensburg

Queensland Aquarium + Maritime Museum MLP

We refer to the PCG Meeting of 19 June 2018.

As foreshadowed at that meeting the proponents of the Queensland Aquarium and Maritime Museum (QA+MM) MLP have agreed amicably to dissolve QA+MM.

We intend ensuring an orderly withdrawal from the MLP proposal and have not ruled out the potential of an aquarium at some future time.

This will mean that upcoming Process Deed milestones will not be met and that we will take the required steps to withdraw from the MLP.

As discussed, we do not intend making any announcement regarding the dissolution of QA+MM unless the matter is queried and seek to work with the State to ensure that:

- any future comments made about the MLP are consistent;
- all confidentiality obligations regarding documentation and the like are met; and
- outstanding obligations under our exit from the Process Deed are managed appropriately.

We thank you for your support and assistance throughout this process.

Yours sincerely,

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Crossley Architects

Queensland Maritime Museum