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Dear Mr Diehm

## DISPOSAL OF 8.8062HA - PORTION LOT 2227 LANDFILL LANE, MERU

The Mid West Development Commission is pleased to provide this letter in support of the intended sale of land at Meru for the purpose of the construction of a gas fired power station. This is an important milestone in the development of the Mid West Sustainable Energy Project which will provide 30MW of base load power to greater Geraldton.

As you would be aware, the project has the potential:

- to create 15-30 new jobs and 120 construction jobs in the region;
- · to improve the State's energy security mix;
- to provide clean, sustainable energy and reduce the reliance on coal fired power generation;
- · to address the Mid West's energy constraints; and
- to act as an economic enabler, allowing new industries and businesses to connect to the grid and enhance the business case for the second stage of the Mid West Energy Project (330kV)

These outcomes marry well with the objectives of the Mid West Regional Blueprint; identifying and mobilising regional potential and capitalising on opportunities. Tersum Energy's Mid West Sustainable Energy Project specifically addresses the Physical Infrastructure key pillar for investment. Tersum's proposed investment of \$60M of private funding would assist in unlocking the economic potential of the region and positioning it for enduring growth and development.

Yours sincerely

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