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Ms Fiona Marks
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Dear Ms Marks

RE: RPI15/007/QGC– Charlie Field Compression Station (CFCS)
Requirement Notice (*RPI Act, s44*)

I refer to the assessment application, made on 18 August 2015 under section 29 of the *Regional Planning Interests Act 2014* (RPI Act), seeking a regional interests development approval.

Application details

Real property description	Lot 38 AB188 and Lot 33 AB 128
Street Address	350 Bundi Road, Grosmont, QLD 4419 and 2660-2782 Bundi Road, Grosmont QLD 4419
Local government area	Western Downs Regional Council
Closest town	Wandoan
Applicant name	BG International (AUS) Pty Ltd ACN: 1300856 843
Area of regional interest affected	Strategic Cropping Area (24ha)
Type of activity	Field compression station

Information Requirement

You are advised that in accordance with the RPI Act, Section 44, further information is required to enable the adequate assessment of the application against the RPI Act, Schedule 2, Part 4 (Strategic cropping area) Criteria for assessment. The requested further information is detailed in Attachment A.

To assist in the timely determination of this application, you are asked to provide the requested information as soon as possible and within a maximum of 12 months after the day you receive this notice. You may request an extension to this period, if necessary.

Application details

Confirmation of the application details in Appendix 1 is required to enable a future decision notice to accurately reflect the location and extent of the activities proposed in the application.

If you require any further information, please contact Mitzi Venn, RPI Act Development Assessment Team on 3452 7609 or RPIAct@dilgp.qld.gov.au who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

**Kylie Williams**

Executive Director

Regional and Precinct Planning

Attachment A

Information required for assessment against section 49 of the RPI Act

In relation to land ownership

According to the land titles for the two impacted properties containing SCL, neither are owned by the applicant (BG International (Aus) Pty Ltd ACN 130 856 843). The two owners of land containing SCL that are proposed to be impacted by the resource activities are:

- ELIMATTA PASTORAL PTY LTD
- QGC PTY LIMITED

Under s30(2) of the RPI Act, the applicant must give a copy of the application to the owner of the land within the prescribed timeframe.

1. **Provide** evidence that QGC PTY LIMITED and ELIMATTA PASTORAL PTY LTD were given a copy of the application under s30(2) of the RPI Act.

The application does not contain evidence that the property owner QGC PTY LIMITED has entered into a voluntary agreement about the impacts of the proposed activities on their property (SCL).

2. **Provide** evidence to show that the applicant has taken all reasonable steps to consult and negotiate with QGC PTY LIMITED to reach a voluntary agreement about the impacts of the proposed activities on their property.

Note: Where agreement with the land owner has not been reached, permanent impact on strategic cropping land on a property (SCL) is limited to two percent of the strategic cropping land on the property (SCL).

In relation to RPI Act, Schedule 2, Part 4 Required Outcome (RO) 1

The application purports to demonstrate compliance with RO1. However, insufficient information has been submitted to sufficiently demonstrate that Required Outcome 1 can be satisfied. Specifically, the initial assessment has identified the following issues in the RPS report: *Strategic Cropping Area Criteria Assessment Report: QGC Charlie Field Compression Station PR111136-68 August 2015*:

- a) The report includes laboratory-derived particle size analysis data for the soils from the sampled sites that is inconsistent with the:
 - identification of the soils as Vertosols (i.e. in general, Vertosols by definition need to have a clay content of >35% throughout the solum);
 - soil characteristics evident in the photographs of the exposed soil profiles;
 - cation exchange capacities reported in the laboratory analysis data for those same soils; and
 - expected characteristics of soils in that locality.
- b) There is significant between-site variability evident in a number of the reported chemical and physical attributes, which could suggest that either:
 - the soil landscape is more complex than the submitted report would suggest (i.e. there is more than one mappable soil unit present); or

- if not presently evident, then prior to clearing and subsequent development the subject land was affected by gilgai, and the differences observed between sites reflects sampling of different elements of those gilgai at the different sites (e.g. a gilgai mound sampled at one site and a gilgai depression at another).

When determining soil depth, the definitions of weathered rock and soil depth provided in section 7 and section 14 in Schedule 3 of the Regional Planning Interests Regulation 2014 must be used. It is unclear from the description and photograph provided of the soil profile at site CH_AN1 that what is described as a C horizon meets those definitions.

3. Provide sufficient information to demonstrate compliance with either:

- i) RO1 of Schedule 2, Part 4 of the RPI Regulation, with particular reference to matters a) and b) above; or
- ii) RO3 of Schedule 2, Part 4 of the RPI Regulation.

The information provided should be in accordance with RPI Act Guideline 08/14, and in particular Section 3.4, which provides guidance on soil sampling and analysis requirements in gilgai-affected terrain.

APPENDIX 1

To enable the issuing of a decision notice that succinctly identifies the resource activities, their location and the area of disturbance:-

- I. Complete and confirm the details of the total area of disturbance for each of the resource activities on each lot provided in Table 1 below
- II. complete the definitions in Table 2 to be an accurate description of all of the resource activities proposed in the application.

Table 1: Area of disturbance for each of the resource activities on each lot

Area of regional interest	Resource activity	Location	Area of SCA impacted (ha)
Strategic cropping area	Field Compressor Station	Part of Lot 33 AB128	
	Field Compressor Station	Part of Lot 38 AB188	
Total area of disturbance to SCA			

Table 2: Definitions of resource activities

	Resource activity	Definition of terms
1	Field Compressor Station	