
Subject: FW: Beach Drilling - Wirrabara

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To: Sam Johnson <sam.johnson@mtr.sa.gov.au>

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To Sam Johnson,

My wife and I have recently established a Drilling Business in Wirrabara, Beach Drilling. After growing up in Wirrabara, I moved interstate to pursue a drilling career and eventually became a Project Manager for Viv Oldfield at Australia's largest privately owned drilling company, Silver City Drilling. Now, after deciding to go out on my own, I have moved my family back to Wirrabara and we are currently leasing some land to operate from in the short term. At present we own 2 modern Drilling Rigs along with a range of modern auxiliary support plant and equipment.

Our aim at setting up in Wirrabara is to provide the community with a local based option for water drilling as well as to set up a strong, central base in order to service larger scale projects further afield. I have extensive experience in the industry and hold a class 3 unrestricted license which enables us to tender a wide range of work. My time spent in my previous role has resulted in forming strong relationships with entities such as SA water and the Department of Environment and Water which will continue into the future with Beach Drilling. As a small, family run business we know how important contributing to the local community is and we endeavour to support as many local businesses as we can through patronage and to sponsor many community projects and events. Beach Drilling is an advocate for equal opportunity employment and we look forward to helping the local community thrive and prosper by being a part of future growth in the region.

For our business to be sustainable we are now seeking to secure an allotment of land for long term use, as our business requires a range of infrastructure to compete in the ever-evolving industry. Our aim is to become an ISO accredited business in the future and are looking for a site that will fit within Beach Drilling Environmental Management and Travel/Fatigue Management plans. After actively following the real estate market for the past 12 months we have been unable to find anything suitable close to the Wirrabara township. Consequently, we would like to approach the council and make an offer to purchase the council owned lot on the Southern side of Wirrabara on South Terrace. We feel this is a highly potential site for an industrial business to be established in town and would have ongoing benefits to the town.

If accepted we would endeavour to establish a workshop and offices on site within 12 months and foresee the workshop having added benefits to the town such as being used as a freight depot when needed with the ability to unload trucks etc. The close proximity to the highway allows safe all-weather access for larger vehicles with minimal environmental impact and being on the boundary of town lends itself to noise management. Our intention is to create a visually appealing and organised block with a thought-out layout including manicured native vegetation.

We feel Beach Drilling would be a huge benefit to the town. Our business is currently in its initial stages of development and employs local staff which as the business grows will potentially increase to 10-15 staff members. Wages in the drilling industry are lucrative and this would therefore have a positive flow on effect to the community. Although only starting out we have a very promising outlook based on the jobs and contracts that we have started to obtain.

We would like to make an offer of \$30,000 for the block on South Terrace which includes \$5,000 to purchase the shipping container that is already onsite.

We appreciate your consideration of our offer and look forward to hearing your response.

Please see attached our company's Capability Statement and Equipment Overview for further reference.

Thank you and Kind Regards,

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