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Subject: FOR INFORMATION: Request for comments regarding Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities)

Determination 2018 & the Telecommunications Code of Practice 2018

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Hello.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding the above.

Officers from the City of Gold Coast have reviewed the proposed amendments to both of these documents, which is to allow carriers to deploy temporary facilities, including temporary towers, as low impact telecommunications facilities.

Adoption of the amended determination and code of practice is unlikely to have significant impact on the City. It is understood the proposed amendments to the determination will require that carriers deploying temporary facilities and towers are subject to the same conditions as other low-impact facilities; and the proposed amendments to the code of practice will place additional conditions on carriers when installing temporary facilities and temporary towers.

Notwithstanding the above, Council officers originally had concerns with the proposed amendments regarding what is considered 'temporary'. However through consultation with the Local Government Association of QLD these concerns were resolved on the understanding the Department intend to include an additional provision (section 4.3A) within the code of practice to clearly identify appropriate timeframes for what is meant by 'temporary'. As such, subject to the inclusion of this additional provision Council officers are supportive of the proposed changes.

Please note this is the view of Council officers and does not represent the official position of the Council of the City of Gold Coast.

Should you have any questions regarding the above or would like to discuss it further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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