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Dear Max,

INQUIRY INTO WOODEN POWER POLES

The Shire of Brookton council has discussed your request for comment on any issues in regard to Western Power that are relevant to the terms of reference of the inquiry into wooden power poles. The following comments are provided for your information:

- When Western Power enters rural properties to inspect power poles there should be more consideration given to bio-security protocols (e.g. the spreading of weeds etc).
- Rural landholders should be pre-notified by Western Power before Western Power employees enter onto rural properties
- Western Power should undertake a replacement program, whereby they replace old wooden poles with poles that are made of materials that are more resistant to fire hazard.

If you require any clarification on the above points please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,


Gary Clark
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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