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Hon Max Trenorden MLC
Chairman
Standing Committee on Public Administration
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Max

RE: INQUIRY INTO WOODEN POWER POLES

Thank you for your letter regarding the above which was discussed by Council at its recent Meeting.

Council is very concerned regarding this issue as there are many situations existing in our town and district where "tragedies are waiting to happen":-

- many wooden poles in the Goomalling Townsite and rural areas are in dilapidated conditions where they have been sleeved with short railing iron braces at the bottom of each pole which is only preventing the inevitable from happening;
- wooden poles particularly the ones in dilapidated conditions should be replaced with either steel or concrete ones;
- an improved inspection regime would assist in keeping abreast of maintenance requirements.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of the above matter then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Clem Kerp
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER