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Hon Matthew Swinbourn MLC
Legislative Council Committee Office
Parliament House
**4 HARVEST TERRACE
WEST PERTH WA 6005**

Dear Mr Swinbourn

RE: PETITION NO. 14 – PROPOSED LANDFILL IN ESPERANCE

I refer to your letter dated 4 October 2017, concerning the Shire of Esperance's intention to voluntarily submit a proposal to the EPA, so that its plans for a modern, lined, landfill facility at Lot 12 Kirwan Rd, Merivale, can be subjected to the highest level of public scrutiny.

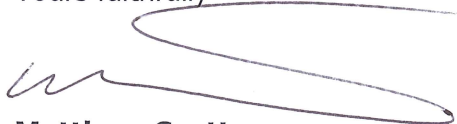
The Shire staff has been working in conjunction with Council's environmental consultants to prepare the required document and technical reports for several months now. These documents have been reviewed in draft form last week, before finalisation. Part of the document has been sent to the Shire's lawyers for final comment and it is expected the final document will be ready for submission upon receipt of that advice.

While a date for submission is dependent on the final advice from technical and legal consultants, it is anticipated the referral document will be submitted to the Environmental Protection Authority WA before 30th October 2017.

More detailed technical submissions to the DWER, applying for the Works Approval and subsequently the License, will be submitted to that agency in due course, taking into account any advice received from the EPA.

I will ensure that your committee clerk is advised by email as soon as the final submission is sent to the EPA. I hope this advice assists, but if further information is required, please feel free to contact me.

Yours faithfully



Matthew Scott
Chief Executive Officer