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Hon Tania Rattray MLC Chair Legislative Council Select Committee

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Dear Ms Rattray

Thank you for your letter of 3 December 2021 requesting additional information about Tasmanian Ports Corporation Pty Ltd (TasPorts) following its Government Business Scrutiny hearing on 3 December 2021

Following is the requested information, as advised by TasPorts:

1. Provide value of land at Bell Bay.

TasPorts land holding at the Port Bell Bay (inclusive of the industrial estate) currently has a holding value of approximately \$12 million for accounting purposes. It was last revalued in 2017, as per the financial report. TasPorts policy is to revalue infrastructure assets on a five-year cycle, which recognises the long useful lives of infrastructure needs. TasPorts is currently undertaking a revaluation process aligned to this cycle.

In June 2021, TasPorts signed an Option Agreement with Fortescue Future Industries for a parcel of land in the Bell Bay Industrial Estate for a proposed 250 watt green hydrogen plant. Commercial negotiations are currently underway for a long-term lease (not divestment). These negotiations are subject to commercial in confidence.

2. Provide a list of 93 consultancies (less than \$50,000)*

| Burbury Consulting Pty Ltd | ASO Marine Consultants Pty Ltd | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Tasmanian Consulting Services Pty Ltd | Scotwork Negotiating Skills | |
| COVA Thinking Pty Ltd | Kedge Pty Ltd | |
| Ironside Risk Partners Pty Ltd | JCJ Consulting Pty Ltd | |
| Pitt & Sherry | Project Services & Advisory Group P/L | |
| TILL & SHOTT | Troject services & Advisory Group F/L | |
| Peacock Darcey & Anderson P/L | Greg Tweedly Consulting Services | |

| GHD Pty Ltd | Latitude 42 Environmental Consultants Pty Ltd | |
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| McGuire Maritime Pty Ltd | Telopea Pty Ltd | |
| Baird Australia | Emmett Marine Consulting | |
| Department of State Growth | Scotlind Pty Ltd | |
| KPMG Australia | Injury Prevention & Management Pty Ltd | |
| Focused Fire Engineering | Cumulus Studio Pty Ltd | |
| WT Partnership | Hays Specialist Recruitment | |
| Nous Group Pty Ltd | Hays Recruitment | |
| BlueprintHR Pty Ltd | National Institute of Economic & Industry Research Pty-Ltd | |
| ERA Planning & Environment | All Urban Planning Pty Ltd | |
| Taplin Consulting | Diving and Marine Services Pty Ltd | |
| Human Synergistics Pty Ltd | RPS Australia West Pty Ltd | |
| Polaris Marine Trust No. I | Katestone Environmental Pty Ltd | |
| Marine Solutions Tasmania Pty Ltd | SMEC Australia Pty Ltd | |
| Minter Ellison Lawyers | S2S Consulting | |
| Frontier Automation Pty Ltd | Swash Project Delivery Pty Ltd | |
| 100 Small Things | Howarth Fisher and Associates | |
| IG Partners | Marine and Safety Tasmania | |
| Mark Cooper Coaching | Mercer Consulting (Australia) Pty Ltd | |
| Cordiner King & Co Pty Ltd | C & M Blake Engineering Services | |
| Wavelength Consulting Pty Ltd | Peopleworks Pty Itd | |
| Tarkarri Engineering Pty Ltd | O'Connor Marsden & Associates Pty Ltd | |
| Financial & Corporate Relations Pty Ltd | Tas Fumigation & Pest Services Pty, Ltd | |
| Foresion | Spectran Environmental Management Pty Ltd | |
| Acton Advisory Pty Ltd | Benchmark Building Surveyors Pty Ltd | |
| Kedge Pty Ltd | Lee Tyers & Associates Pty Ltd | |
| Searson Buck & Associates Pty Ltd | Corporate Communications (Tas) Pty Ltd | |

| Minerva Consulting Group | Braddon Building Surveying Pty Ltd |
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| Duratec Australia | Acoustic Imaging |
| Haskoning Australia Pty Ltd | BS Tech Electrical Services |
| Omnitronics Pty Ltd | Utility Detection & Mapping Pty Ltd |
| Vectra Corporation Limited | Safe Lift Materials Handling Solutions |
| Premel Holdings Pty Ltd | Airworks Consulting Pty Ltd |
| Continuum Al | HT Health Group |
| Black Quay Consulting | Gyst Consulting Pty Ltd |
| Data#3 Limited | Environmental Service & Design |
| BSI Group ANZ Pty Ltd | NME Services |
| GM Actuaries Pty Ltd | Tom Griffiths Consulting |
| Marsh Pty Ltd | Searson Buck Pty Ltd as Trustee for Searson Buck Unit Trust |
| Valquip Consulting | Intergrated Safety Support |
| BMT Commercial Aust Pty Ltd | |

^{*} Consultancy Disclosure is based on Department of Treasury & Finance Buy Local Guidelines for Tasmanian Government Businesses. As this is based on a per contract basis (not individual consultant basis), there may be overlap with consultancy contracts disclosed of more than \$50,000. For example, a consultant may be engaged on more than one occasion relating to different projects/services during the year.

3. Provide figures on the number of units being delivered by rail and road transport.

TasPorts does not collect information on freight volumes (units) being transported to the port via rail and road.

It should be noted that there is no rail system in place which operates directly to Bass Strait operators at the eastern side of the Port of Devonport, the Port of Hobart and the Port of Bell Bay.

4. Across the whole organisation, can TasPorts please outline the numbers and remuneration outcomes for men compared to women and what strategies are in place to deliver a more equitable work environment?

TasPorts currently employs 296 people – 64 females and 232 males. The gender split is reflective of a traditionally male dominated industry, being maritime and infrastructure.

The current average remuneration based on gender is as follows, leading to a pay differential of 15.36%:

| | | Ave Rem - Male (232) | |
|-------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| | Ave Rem – Female (64) | | Pay Differential |
| Total | 104,862 | 123,894 | 15.36% |

It should be noted that the pay differential of 15.36 per cent is driven by a stronger cohort of male employees in the marine division, including highly specialised roles in the pilotage and towage departments (covered by enterprise agreements).

It is important to also note that the above table covers all industrial instruments, inclusive of four separate enterprise agreements and common law contracts.

In regard to employees on common law contracts (76 employees) which pertain to management and senior technical roles (outside EAs) the pay differential is 7 per cent in favour of females.

TasPorts has a Board endorsed *Diversity & Inclusion Strategy* which demonstrates its commitment to gender equality.

Yours sincerely

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Minister for Infrastructure and Transport