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Dear Premier

*Re: The Queensland Plan*

On behalf of the Regional Development Australia Townsville and North West Queensland (RDA) Committee, I write to congratulate you and the Government on the development of The Queensland Plan. We believe you have engaged and consulted widely and we have appreciated being part of that process including attendance at two of the large sessions in Brisbane.

From our regional perspective, we believe the Plan does take a whole of State approach and considers carefully and strategically the importance of the regions to the success of the State's future. The Plan also importantly will promote Queensland's future to the development of the whole of Northern Australia incorporating the northern half of the State.

One small improvement we would like to suggest relates to the focus on links with Asia in regard to our economy. While we understand and agree with the focus on Asian links, we believe the long-standing and future relationship with our Pacific neighbours should not be forgotten – both those in the near South-West Pacific region and also those in South America where our business opportunities are expanding. Hence on Page 14 where reference is made to the Asian region, we suggest this should be the Asia- Pacific region.

I would be pleased to expand on any comments or answer any questions you may have and can be reached on 0429 468 606 or by email at [Manfred@harboursat.com.au](mailto:Manfred@harboursat.com.au) alternatively you can make contact with our Chief Executive Officer Ms Glenys Schuntner on 07 4760 1612 or at [ceo@rdanwq.org.au](mailto:ceo@rdanwq.org.au). My RDA Committee and I look forward to further engagement and continuing to play a role to support the development of Queensland for the benefit of all Queenslanders.

Yours sincerely



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