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APPENDIX A

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Dear Mr Hooper

**YORK TOWN PLANNING SCHEME NO. 2 - AMENDMENT 50 - PROPOSED SITA
ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL**

Thank you for your letter of 21 February 2014 regarding the above-mentioned amendment.

It is my intention to determine Amendment 50 following the Wheatbelt Joint Development Assessment Panel's (JDAP) determination of SITA's development application at Allawuna farm. As you state in your letter, due to the issues with the amendment and changes since lodgement, it is possible that substantial modifications to Amendment 50 may be required as it relates to waste management, which would require re-advertising of the amendment.

Given the community's focus on making submissions on both the JDAP proposal and the Department of Environment Regulation licence process; re-advertising of an amendment may further complicate matters of process which could also fetter or delay the JDAP process. Having the Allawuna matter settled by the JDAP may also provide a basis to finalise Amendment 50 without further advertising, which could result in a more expedient process.

Before finalising the amendment, I also needed to consider the outcome of the environmental appeal process for Allawuna, but by the time this occurred on 5 February 2014, SITA had already lodged a development application.

While I agree that the timeframe for determining Amendment 50 is regrettable, please be assured that I am aware of the urgency and will endeavour to determine it as soon as possible following the JDAP decision.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

**JOHN DAY
MINISTER FOR PLANNING;
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