

Our ref: NTEPA2015/0162

Mr Chris Grimm
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Dear Mr Grimm

**RE: DEFENCE HOUSING AUSTRALIA – LEE POINT MASTER-PLANNED
URBAN DEVELOPMENT – ASSESSMENT REPORT 88**

The Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority (NT EPA) has completed its assessment of the Lee Point Master-planned Urban Development (the Proposal) under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. I have provided Assessment Report 88 (the Report) for the Proposal to the Northern Territory Minister for Environment and Natural Resources, the Hon. Eva Lawler (the Minister). The Minister is required to give a copy of the Report to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (the responsible Minister), together with any written comments made by the Minister in relation to the report.

The Report is not an environmental approval although it will guide the decision for an approval by the responsible Minister and other approvals.

The Report issued by the NT EPA provides a thorough assessment of the Proposal and makes 15 recommendations which should be adopted in future approvals where relevant. To achieve sound environmental outcomes, Defence Housing Australia will need to work closely with the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics to ensure the necessary standards of the regulatory agency are met in relation to the development approvals under the *Planning Act*. A copy of the Report is enclosed for your reference. It is critical to the achievement of acceptable environmental outcomes that the commitments made by Defence Housing Australia and the recommendations made in the Report are implemented.

The NT EPA will publish a notice in relevant newspapers advising that the environmental impact assessment process is complete and where the Report is available. The Report will be published on the NT EPA website.

Any queries in relation to this matter should be directed to Lisa Bradley, Director Environmental Assessment, on (08) 8924 4144 or email Lisa.Bradley@nt.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Vogel', written over a horizontal line.

DR PAUL VOGEL
Chairman

30 October 2018