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Public Hearing

EXHIBIT No: H 3
Alicia Vieira CLERK

Dear Mr Freer

Thank you for your letter of 8 July 2008 outlining the Queensland Rugby Union's (QRU's) revised plans to progress the redevelopment of the Ballymore site and seeking financial assistance from the Queensland Government towards this redevelopment.

Following consideration of your proposals, I am pleased to offer the QRU a grant of \$4.2 million (GST exclusive) payable over three years to initiate the first stage of the Ballymore redevelopment, with the funding targeted at supporting the development of the new rugby field and heated swimming pool.

I believe the revised redevelopment proposal for Ballymore provides an opportunity to reinvigorate and revitalise the site. The addition of a new field and indoor pool will provide greater opportunities to attract elite level teams for training purposes and establish Ballymore as a venue for community sport and recreation events. It is my expectation that the facilities developed through the utilisation of this grant will be accessible to the broader community.

The offer of this grant is conditional on the QRU executing an appropriate funding agreement with the Department of Sport and Recreation and final approval of funding being provided by the Governor in Council.

A representative of the Department will be in contact with you in the near future to discuss the terms and conditions of the funding agreement.

May I congratulate you on the success of your submission and I look forward to working with the QRU to deliver this important project.

Yours sincerely

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