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Attn: Narelle Ferguson

Dear Narelle

**Renewal of Special Lease No 43/50257
Lot 1 on plan JD7, part of Heathlands Resources Reserve, Cook Shire
Applicant: Telstra Corporation**

I refer to your letter dated 28 February 2005 requesting the Agency's views in respect to the above application. In response, the Environmental Protection Agency wishes to advise that it would not support the renewal of SL 43/50257 under the *Land Act 1994*, as the lease is over Heathlands Resources Reserve (Lot 3 on plan JD8). As 'resources reserve' is a tenure under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NC Act), it would be more appropriate for any future dealings over Lot 1 to be conducted by this Agency under the NC Act.

The EPA also wish to advise that there is no objection to the issue of a lease under the NC Act at this time under similar conditions, and the applicant should be advised to contact Director Geoff Mercer (External Relations QPWS) on (07) 3227 8796 as soon as possible to discuss future leasing arrangements for Lot 1.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in this instance.

Yours sincerely

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