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Dear Mr Paul Vogel,

I am writing to express my serious concern about the huge water licence granted to the Singleton Station Horticulture Project. Having lived in Mparntwe Alice Springs for forty years I have experienced long droughts as well as flooding rains. We totally rely on the Ground Water especially in times of drought.

This massive water licence threatens the survival of animals and plants over a large area of the Western Davenport Range Plains. It will do irreversible environmental harm to Groundwater Dependent Sites, Sacred Sites and Habitat for threatened species including the the Bilby.

This project is one of the largest fruit and vegetable developments in Australia and requires one of the nation's largest water licences. It is defined by significant risk and uncertainty, whether it is related to salinity, cultural values, groundwater dependent ecosystems, or the groundwater resource.

The Aboriginal Elders from the surrounding Communities should be consulted and listened to as it will directly affect their ability to care for their country. The proposal threatens forty sacred sites within its drawdown area.

I respectfully request that you ensure that the most rigorous level of environmental impact assessment, TIER 3, is applied.

I appreciate your consideration in this matter and look forward to your response.