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D.L.&D.Johnson-Partnership,
[REDACTED][REDACTED] 18th.April 2011.

Ms.Jane Moynihan,
400 George Street,
BRISBANE.Q.4001.

Dear Ms.Moynihan,

Many thanks for the opportunity to offer a submission to this enquiry.Our property which is situated at [REDACTED] Sherwood Road,Rocklea was built in 1968 and we no longer operate a business from our warehouses;we built a second warehouse in 1993.These are currently leased.The Business operators of these Premises have approx 15 staff employed & some staff have lost their positions since the flood event.

We were unable to make any plans prior to the 13th January & will suffer a minimum \$600,000.00 loss in repairs,plus office & generator hiring etc;we also gave our Tenants 2(two) months free rent to help them get back into business.They have suffered losses stock \$1,500,000.00 - \$2,000,000.00 & are insured. Ourselves having been flooded in 1974 & insured then, were unable to buy Property Insurance for the above premises since then .We experienced 1.6 metres of water which was 2.0 metres less than in 1974.Power & Telephones were out for approx 3 weeks as all meters etc were flooded.The Business is still only running on limited telephones as we are installing all Data,Security ,Power & Telephone Distribution cables to a higher level.

At this stage we have had NO assistance from any Government Body except \$100.00 from the Brisbane City Council for assistance for water usage.No warnings were given to ourselves or tenants.(as known).In 1974 the Fire Brigade Service did clean all walls of our warehouse & offices, when I enquired in January if that service was available I was informed it was not.This should be done for all flood victims.

Our recommendations/suggestions would be to keep(as we were told by the Government after the Wivenhoe Dam Extension was completed for flood mitigation) this portion at no more than 70% capacity to avoid all the heavy losses to lives & property;& Wivenhoe Dam Management need to take more responsibility for the release of water earlier than in this 2011 disaster preferably with private Professionals Engineers,Hydrologists etc assistance/input during heavy rain periods.

Our concerns are, leased properties may find it difficult to keep their Tenants as they may not be able to get Insurance for their Stock & Equipment in flooded areas.

We trust the above information is of some help for the Enquiry.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs. Doris Johnson...Company Managing Director.

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