



Ministerial Inquiry into Greenfields Exploration

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Dear Dr Jonas

RE: INQUIRY INTO GREENFIELDS EXPLORATION IN WA

Thank you for taking the time to provide your submission to the inquiry. A total of 36 submissions have been received and the inquiry is now compiling the various issues raised. Please note the attached media release on the timing of the inquiry's report.

As you may be aware, last week the High Court handed down its decision on the Ward native title case. If you have any further comments as a result of the Ward decision, I would appreciate if your additions or amendments were sent to me by 28 September 2002.

Before finalising the inquiry, I would be pleased if you could indicate any objections to your submission being made available as a public document.

Again, thank you for your submission, which hopefully will get the drillings rigs, geologists and prospectors back in the bush.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'John Bowler'.

John Bowler MLA
MEMBER FOR EYRE

14 August 2002