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Hon. Ian Hunter MLC  
Minister for Sustainability, Environment and Conservation  
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12 August 2014

Dear Minister,

### Review of State Government Boards and Commissions

Antakirinja Matu-Yankunytjatjara Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (AMYAC) represent its members who were determined by the Federal Court of Australia on 11 May 2011 to hold native title in relation to land which include the Breakaways and Tallaringa Conservation Parks.

AMYAC are a party to the Breakaways Indigenous Land Use Agreement dated 22 December 2011, to which you and the Attorney-General for South Australia together with the District Council of Coober Pedy are also parties. This agreement establishes a statutory co-management board for the Breakaways Conservation Park pursuant to the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972 (SA)* (NPWA) which has powers and authorities set out in the NPWA, the regulations and under the Co-Management Agreement with respect to the park dated 22 December 2011 to which you are also a party. It guarantees on-going funding for the co-management board.

As you are no doubt aware you would be in breach of both agreements and the NPWA if the Breakaways Conservation Co-management Board was not retained, let alone seriously damage the relationship the State government has with the native title holders who are also the traditional owners and custodians of the Breakaways Aboriginal site.

The co-management board also doubles as an Advisory Committee for the purposes of developing a management plan pursuant to the Tallaringa Conservation Park ILUA dated 23 January 2012 in relation to which AMYAC, the Attorney-General for South Australia and you as the Minister for Sustainability, Environment and Conservation are the parties. The Advisory Committee meetings usually take place immediately following the Breakaways Co-management Board and as such the arrangement is cost effective and efficient. Again if the Tallaringa Conservation Park Advisory Committee was not retained you would be in breach of this ILUA.

AMYAC support the work that the Co-management board and Advisory Committee have been undertaking since their inception 12 months ago and endorse the submission by the Breakaways Conservation Park Co-management Board dated 11 August 2014, and strongly urge you to retain both the Breakaways Conservation Park Co-management Board and the Tallaringa Conservation Park Advisory Committee.

If you have any queries please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

Tim Wooley