



Senator Hanson-Young
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Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

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Sent by email: ec.sen@aph.gov.au

Dear Senator Hanson-Young,

Many thanks for the opportunity to appear at the Senate inquiry into the Middle Arm Industrial Precinct.

We have received your question on notice:

1. In June 2023, 'Not to deal' commitments were made with the five proponents for the Middle Arm Industrial Precinct, with preferred sites set aside for up to 12 months. These commitments are due to expire in June 2024. Please set out the next steps relating to your commitment, including whether it will be extended, and any consequences for your proposed activity on the site if the commitment lapses.

Tivan was the first proponent to be awarded a 'Not to deal' commitment by the NT Government in February 2023. This was for a period of six months. Tivan is thereby 'off-cycle' from other proponents, and the timeframes cited in your question.

In August 2023 the NT Government extended Tivan's 'Not to deal' commitment for a period of 6 months. In early March 2023 the NT government extended Tivan's 'Not to deal' commitment by a further 12 months. These extensions reflect the substantial progress that Tivan has achieved and the Company's strong standing in the local community.

As regards next steps, Tivan continues to work in close collaboration with NT Government in progressing our proposed projects at the Precinct (being Vanadium Electrolyte Facility and TIVAN+ Critical Minerals Processing). We are awaiting the publication of the Strategic Environmental Assessment, and also the findings of the Senate Committee, before investing further significant resources in these projects.

Tivan's presence at MASDP is highly valued by NT Government and community stakeholders, including Larrakia Development Corporation. Tivan is also headquartered in Darwin and fully committed to sustainable development in the Northern Territory. As such, we do not anticipate our 'Not to deal' commitment lapsing.

We hope that Senate Committee finds a constructive balance between the clear need for Federal investment in the Northern Territory and furthering the energy transition in an inclusive and timely manner.

Yours sincerely,

Grant Wilson
Executive Chair