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Dear Ms Coupe,

**RE: RESPONSE TO ASX LETTER DATED 4 FEBRUARY 2019**

Tasman Resources Ltd ("Tasman" or "the Company") provides the following responses to the queries raised by ASX in its letter dated 4 February 2019.

***1. What is TAS's current cash and cash equivalents (approximately, and excluding any cash held by EDE) as at the date of TAS's response to this letter?***

Approximately \$322,000.

***2. How much capital has TAS raised in each of the financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year to date as at 31 January 2019)?***

	<b>FY16</b>	<b>FY17</b>	<b>FY18</b>	<b>FY19 (to 31.01.19)</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Tasman Cash Raised	\$3,442,536	\$827,386	\$2,858,637	\$2,029,562	\$9,158,121

***3. How much capital has TAS invested in (ie by acquiring shares and options, including through the exercise of options) or lent to EDE in each of the financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year to date as at 31 January 2019)?***

	<b>FY16</b>	<b>FY17</b>	<b>FY18</b>	<b>FY19 (to 31.01.19)</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Exercise of EDEO options	\$300,000	-	\$825,000	\$2,215,703	\$3,340,703
Cash invested in Eden excluding EDEO options exercise	\$2,153,196	-	-	-	\$2,153,196
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,453,196</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$825,000</b>	<b>\$2,215,703</b>	<b>\$5,493,899</b>
Short-term loan provided to Eden*	-	-	-	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

\* Tasman through its wholly owned subsidiary, Noble Energy Pty Ltd ("Noble"), made a short-term loan of \$1,000,000 to Eden in January 2019. The loan is unsecured, repayable no later than 30 June 2019 and interest is payable at 7.13% per annum.

The board of directors of Tasman considered it was in the best interests of its shareholders to exercise the EDE options in FY16, FY18 and FY19 year to date and to maintain the Company's level of equity investment in Eden. When Tasman elected to exercise the options in FY16, FY18 and FY19 year to date, all of the options were, at the time of exercise, in the money.

**4. How much of the \$2,049,939 raised in the 2018 Raising has been expended, and on what items? In answering the question, please detail the expenditure of these funds against the use of funds' line items set out in the table in section 6.5 of the Prospectus, including any line items not included in that table.**

	Figures from table in section 6.5 of the Prospectus			Actual use of funds (approx)
	50%	75%	Maximum	
Funds raised under this Rights Issue	\$1,133,059	\$1,699,588	\$2,266,117	\$2,049,939
Cash at time of offer				\$221,000
TASOC option exercises				\$30,717
<b>Allocation / Use of Funds:</b>				
Costs of the Offer	\$45,899	\$49,754	\$53,286	\$51,095
Exploration expenditure	\$250,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$91,000
Participate in Conico Ltd rights issue	\$155,536	\$155,536	\$155,536	\$155,536
Towards exercise of EDEO options*	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$415,703
General working capital	\$381,624	\$500,000	\$800,000	\$266,322
Support for Eden Innovations Ltd**	-	\$194,298	\$457,295	\$1,000,000
Current cash as at 8 February 2019				\$322,000

\* - It was originally intended that \$115k was to be paid from existing funds not rights issue funds

\*\* - Short-term loan provided in January 2019 and will be repaid by Eden from funds raised in its upcoming capital raising.

In section 6.5 of the Company's prospectus for the 2018 rights issue it was noted that:

1. Given the speculative nature of the Company's business, the intended allocation of funds as set out in the table above may change depending upon market conditions;
2. If a farm-in agreement or other arrangement is entered into whereby exploration is funded by a third party, then the Company may apply some of the exploration funds (or the balance of these funds) to supplement the amounts allocated to the other areas (other than the costs of the rights issue) detailed in the table; and
3. The working capital funds will be used to firstly meet all the normal ongoing operating costs and expenses of the Company and, if in the directors' opinion, sufficient further funds are available, to supplement the amounts allocated to the other areas (other than the costs of the rights issue) detailed in the table.

**5. Please provide a breakdown of each of total staff costs, total administrative and corporate costs incurred by TAS for the period of financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year-to-date as at 31 December 2018). In answering this question please indicate the payments (if any) made to related parties of TAS and their associates.**

<b>Staff costs</b>	<b>FY16</b>	<b>FY17</b>	<b>FY18</b>	<b>HY19 (to 31.12.18)</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Wages	65,367	86,632	84,368	48,450
Superannuation	69,821	71,508	61,940	25,770
Allocation to tenements	(44,584 )	(40,952 )	(36,464 )	(11,110 )
Recovered Wages	(7,335 )	(53,974 )	(61,463 )	(43,017 )
Directors Fees *	222,000	222,000	222,000	111,000
Directors Superannuation *	21,090	21,090	21,090	10,545
<b>Total staff costs</b>	<b>326,359</b>	<b>306,304</b>	<b>291,471</b>	<b>141,638</b>

\* - Payments for these costs were made to related parties of the Company and their associates.

<b>Administrative and corporate costs</b>	<b>FY16</b>	<b>FY17</b>	<b>FY18</b>	<b>HY19 (to 31.12.18)</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Accountancy Fees	-	4,000	2,000	-
Auditors Remuneration	20,545	27,876	15,437	10,573
ASX Ltd Fees	36,007	86,130	11,924	36,426
Bank Charges	1,118	1,029	978	617
Computing and IT Costs	509	427	1,498	600
Drafting Supplies	-	-	4,120	-
Filing Fees	1,161	1,176	1,201	-
Insurance	11,220	13,886	93,855	1,395
Legal Fees *	8,513	49	9,620	1,249
Management Fees **	240,000	210,000	204,000	102,000
Media & Marketing Costs	2,345	2,709	2,051	1,251
Printing and Stationery	6,431	6,704	1,709	1,434
Share Registry Charges	27,770	14,801	15,570	10,180
Subscriptions & Publications	4,210	5,035	350	-
Sundry Expenses	2,537	4,132	1,339	827
Mobile phone Charges	3,479	2,803	1,929	617
Vehicle Expenses	1,525	4,103	2,318	1,807
<b>Total administrative and corporate costs</b>	<b>367,368</b>	<b>384,860</b>	<b>369,899</b>	<b>168,977</b>

\* - Payments for these costs were made to related parties of the Company and their associates.

\*\* - Payments for these costs were disclosed in the last five quarterly reports in "6 - Payments to directors of the entity and their associates" and relates to payments to Princebrook Pty Ltd. Princebrook Pty Ltd is not a related party of the entity or an associate of the directors of the entity in accordance with LR19.12 and the Corporations Act 2001. Princebrook Pty Ltd provides the Company Secretary/CFO, book keeper services, secretarial services, receptionist services, offices (rent), internet, IT infrastructure & telephone services.

**6. Please provide an explanation of exploration activities carried out, and a breakdown of the total Exploration and Evaluation costs incurred by TAS for the period of financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year-to-date as at 31 December 2018).**

Itemised Exploration Expenditure				
	FY16	FY17	FY18	HY19 (to 31.12.18)
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Equipment hire	-	1,500	1,700	2,200
Geologist wages	44,584	40,952	36,464	11,110
Geophysical consultants	210	-	22,410	13,760
Gravity Survey	-	-	23,075	37,795
Other	443	498	-	1,714
Petrology	-	3,676	-	-
Rehabilitation	5,050	11,533	7,095	-
Sample storage	18,582	15,927	13,948	6,981
Tenement fees	21,346	19,862	23,829	16,681
Travel & accommodation	2,891	3,544	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>93,106</b>	<b>97,490</b>	<b>128,521</b>	<b>90,241</b>

### **Lake Torrens Project:**

Tasman has a key strategic tenement holding (over 1,000 km<sup>2</sup>) immediately north and north-east of the giant Olympic Dam deposit in South Australia. Tasman has been actively exploring this area for over 14 years, has a very large database of technical information and has expended on exploration, in aggregate, over \$16 million on the Lake Torrens Project area.

Tasman is engaged in serious negotiations with a major company in relation to a possible joint venture covering this tenement. These negotiations have taken longer to conclude than anticipated. However as these negotiations remain on foot, pending the conclusion of these negotiations, Tasman has been deferring itself undertaking major exploration works (noting that, in view of the depth of the prospective targets, the cost of a drill hole in the Vulcan Prospect is significant).

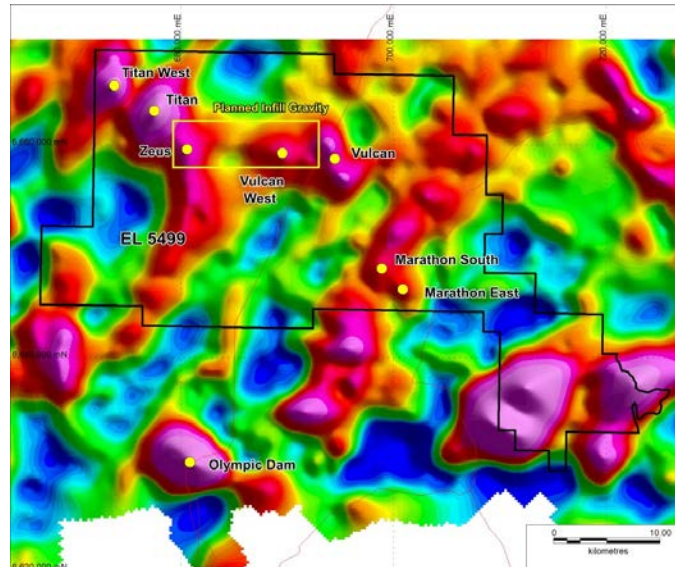
### **Vulcan IOCGU Prospect**

Exploration works to date resulted in the discovery of the Vulcan prospect, a very large (approx. 12 km<sup>2</sup>), iron oxide, copper, gold, uranium (IOCGU) system. Drilling to date has intersected a number of very thick intervals of alteration and low grade mineralisation over a large area. The Vulcan prospect is however situated under at least 800m of cover, which makes exploration expensive.

Drilling has confirmed that Vulcan hosts mineralisation of the same style, and of comparable thickness to that which makes up a very large portion of the nearby Olympic Dam IOCGU deposit, particularly the bodies that occupy the south-eastern part of Olympic Dam. PACE funded Re-Os age dating of the mineralisation at Vulcan gave an average age of 1590 Ma which is essentially the same geological age as other significant IOCGU deposits such as Olympic Dam, Prominent Hill and Carrapateena.

Although drilling has so far not intersected thick and medium to high grade mineralisation, it has demonstrated the potential for economic grades and widths. Tasman believes there are a number of very positive outcomes from the drilling completed to date that confirm Vulcan may be the site of a very large hydrothermal system. It is quite possible that based on the size of Vulcan, the overall inadequacy of drill testing to date and the variable styles of the large IOCGU systems in the region that a substantial deposit could be found with further exploration and investigation. Only 17 holes have been drilled at Vulcan to date, with all holes intersecting IOCGU-style alteration and/or mineralisation, within the main gravity target area.

Although less active field exploration has taken place since Rio Tinto Exploration withdrew from a farm-in agreement in 2014, exploration for IOCGU – style (Olympic Dam type) deposits was resumed by Tasman in 2017, particularly at Vulcan West (Figure 1).



**Figure 1: Residual gravity image covering Tasman's Exploration Licence 5499, with IOCGU prospects/deposits shown as yellow dots and the area of the most recent gravity infill survey.**

### Vulcan West Prospect

Vulcan West - Zeus is a large area (about 50km<sup>2</sup>) of geophysically anomalous and prospective ground between the Vulcan prospect and the similar style copper-uranium-gold discovery at Titan, about 16km to the northwest. Tasman has undertaken geophysical modelling (utilising an external consultant) and ore deposit modelling (based on significant IOCGU deposits such as Olympic Dam and Carrapateena) in this area and considered potential drill targets. Available data suggests that depth to basement in this area is shallower than at Vulcan.

An infill gravity survey over the Vulcan West area, recommended by Tasman's geophysical consultant, was completed in January 2018. Interpretation and modelling of the updated data has been completed, and initial results announced on the ASX.

Associated with core exploration work on its flagship Lake Torrens project Tasman has been also involved in associated activities, including, but not limited to:

- Tasman has been actively seeking a replacement joint venture partner for several years since the withdrawal by Rio Tinto Exploration from a farm-in agreement in 2014 and (as noted earlier) it is currently engaged in serious negotiations with a major company in relation to a possible joint venture covering this tenement.
- Rehabilitation of previously disturbed areas. The most recent rehabilitation campaign was conducted in July 2017.
- Preparation and submittal of rehabilitation Compliance Reports to the South Australian Department of Premier and Cabinet relating to this work.
- Annual Reporting to the South Australian Department of Premier and Cabinet.
- Communication with staff at the South Australian Department of Premier and Cabinet regarding Exploration Licence conditions.
- Periodic liaison with external researchers at Universities in South Australia and Tasmania regarding specific research projects that have resulted from Tasman's exploration at Lake Torrens, and other research initiatives mostly sponsored by Government through various Universities. For example, a project looking at the potential for geothermal energy to be generated at Tasman's Vulcan Project has been investigated in collaboration with external researchers in Adelaide.

- Maintenance and storage of exploration equipment and drilling samples in Roxby Downs, Andamooka and Adelaide.

### Pernatty Project

In November 2017 Tasman identified vacant ground in an area considered highly prospective for IOCGU deposits located 20km SE of Oz Minerals Carrapateena IOCG deposit which is currently under development. Tasman lodged a 193 km<sup>2</sup> Exploration Licence application over the vacant ground in November 2017 (Figure 2).

On 20 March 2018 Exploration Licence 6137 over the area was granted to Tasman for an initial period of two years.

Since the grant of the Exploration Licence, subsequent to an initial geophysical review and modelling, Tasman (via a specialist contractor) conducted two detailed ground-based gravity surveys over portions of the Licence. Data from these surveys has been modelled, in conjunction with available aeromagnetic data by a specialist consultant geophysicist. This work has identified a number of areas for further investigation, as described in Tasman's recent announcements to the ASX, and Tasman's most recent Quarterly Report to the ASX.

Since this work has been completed Tasman has been considering the possible next steps in the investigation of the mineral potential at Pernatty, including, amongst others, further geophysics, drilling of selected target(s) or continuing to seek a joint venture partner to fund such work.

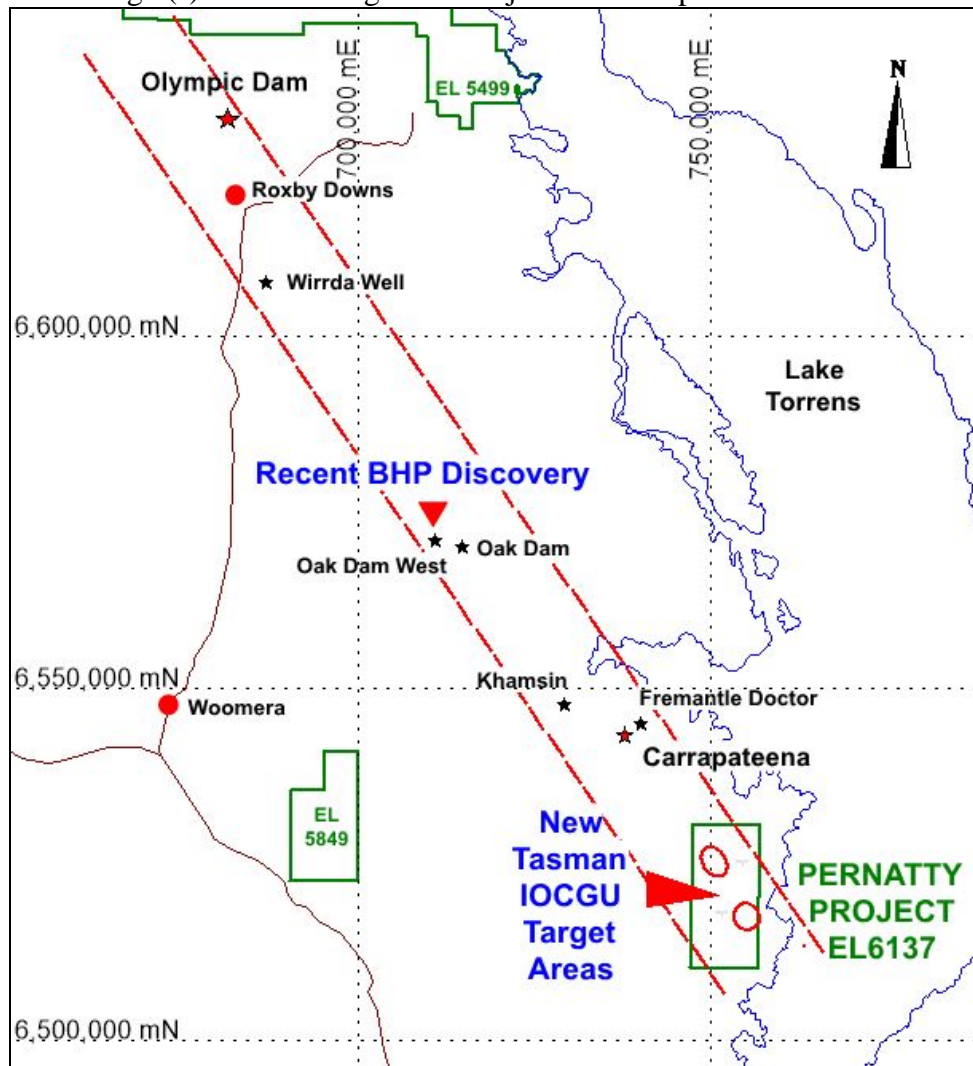


Figure 2. Map showing the location of the Pernatty Project (EL 6137), Tasman's other tenements (ELs 5499 and 5849) and the interpreted prospective "corridor" containing Olympic Dam, Wirrda, the deposits in the Carrapateena area and BHP's new discovery at Oak Dam West (GDA 94, MGA Zone 53). New Tasman target areas shown in red.



### Lucas Hill Project:

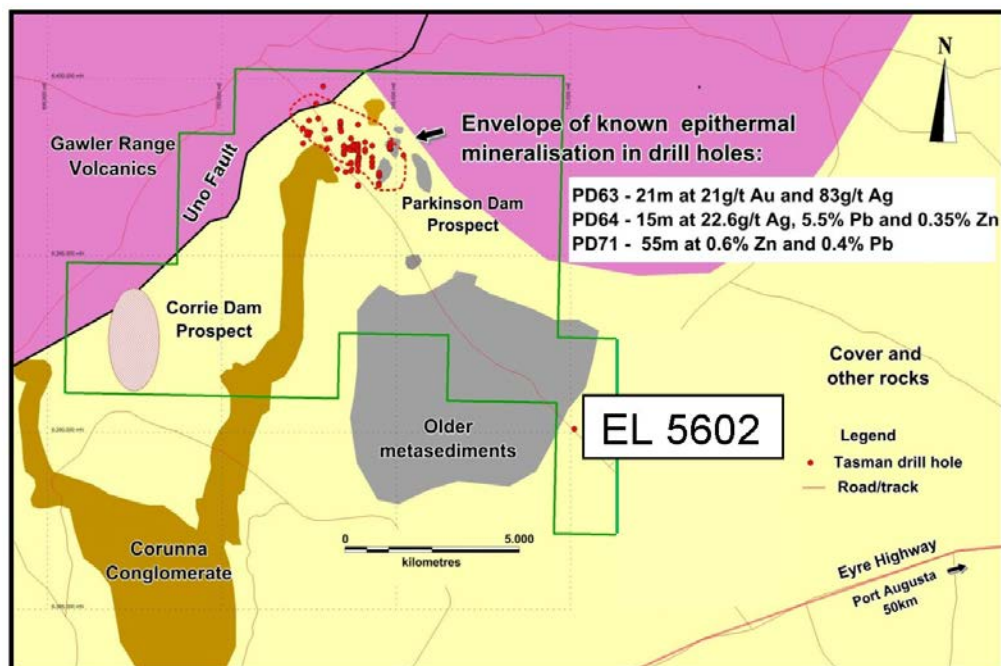
This Project comprises a 150 km<sup>2</sup> Exploration Licence which covers an IOCGU target originally identified and test drilled by Tasman, in the course of which Tasman has expended in excess of \$920,000. Two deep holes completed to date intersected IOCGU style alteration and weak copper sulphide mineralisation but at considerable depth.

Subsequently, Tasman was involved in a joint investigation with an external consultant in the search for copper mineralisation in rocks located much closer to the surface than the original IOCGU target. The investigations have included development of a new database of all historical drilling, collection and petrographic analysis of samples from historical drill core, incorporation of all available data into a new model and preparation of a report. This investigation is currently suspended and no further work is planned at this stage.

### Parkinson Dam Project:

Parkinson Dam is an epithermal gold-silver project located about 60km west of Port Augusta in South Australia that was discovered in 2005 by Tasman, and on which it has expended in excess of \$2.5million. To date 89 drill holes have been completed as well as extensive sampling and some geophysics. Tasman's current tenement holding (107 km<sup>2</sup>) covers the most prospective area.

The Parkinson Dam project (see Figure 3 below) lies at the eastern end of a large area (stretching for at least 125km), located immediately south of the southern margin of the Gawler Range Volcanics which has potential for shallow epithermal gold-silver and base metal (lead-zinc-silver) deposits. In addition to the Paris silver deposit, significant occurrences include the Menninnie Dam silver-lead-zinc deposit, Weednanna gold prospect and Uno/Morgans gold, silver, copper prospects.



**Figure 3: Plan of Tasman's Parkinson Dam Project (EL 5602) showing area of previously defined mineralisation and Corrie Dam Prospect adjacent to the Gawler Range Volcanics.**

The mineralisation discovered by Tasman is characterised by quartz veining with sericite, chlorite and sulphide alteration halos, and occurs over about 4.5km<sup>2</sup>. Tasman's initial drilling returned intersections up to 3.4g/t Au and 45g/t Ag over 3m, with thick zones of low grade lead and zinc (eg. 96m at 0.2% Pb and 27m at 0.4% Zn). The first follow up diamond drill hole returned a 1.66m intersection of 7.6% Pb, 10.5% Zn, 0.4% Cu, 1.2g/t Au and 120g/t Ag. An intersection of 21m at 21g/t Au and 83g/t Ag (including 9m at 31g/t Au and 152g/t Ag) was also obtained in a vertical diamond drill hole. This encouraging result was followed up with further drill holes, but in this particular area high grade gold mineralisation appears to be of limited extent.

## Corrie Dam Prospect

Partial leach soil sampling carried out in the western portion of the tenement area defined a significant silver anomaly which was tested by air core drilling (38 holes for 2,840m).

Drilling intersected strongly anomalous lead and silver values in fine grained sediments and altered high level felsic intrusives under the southern portion of the silver anomaly. These may represent the outer low grade halo around more significant epithermal mineralisation at depth.

The best drill intersection was 25m down hole at 0.36% Pb and 1.4g/t Ag from 60m in hole CDAC015, including 5m at 1.1% Pb and 2.6g/t Ag from 70m. The highest silver assays up to 33g/t over 4m appear to be supergene in origin having been concentrated by the weathering of lower grade mineralisation. Strongly anomalous but lower level silver and lead values were also intersected in adjacent holes.

A review of the potential for electrical geophysics (in particular IP) to help exploration was conducted but not pursued.

Tasman has sought potential joint venture partners for the project, however without success.

## **New Projects**

Tasman has considerable in-house knowledge and expertise of the geology and exploration endowment of South Australia (and to a lesser degree Tasmania) through the experience of its technical staff. This provides Tasman with an advantage in being able to quickly and efficiently identify and evaluate opportunities for new mineral discoveries in those states. This is an ongoing process which has in some circumstances led to the application for Exploration Licences. Examples include:

- In November 2017 Tasman identified vacant ground in an area considered highly prospective for IOCGU deposits located 20km SE of Oz Minerals Carrapateena IOCG deposit which is currently under development. This resulted in Tasman's Pernatty Project referred to above (EL 6137).
- Identification of opportunities for commercial lithium deposits in Australia, particularly South Australia. An application for an Exploration Licence was made over one area on the Eyre Peninsula, but was subsequently withdrawn following more detailed review.
- The identification of a potential IOCGU target near Lake Mac Farlane in South Australia. Again an application for an Exploration Licence was made but subsequently withdrawn following more detailed review.
- Evaluation of a possible commercial opportunity to explore and possibly develop a tin project in north-eastern Tasmania. This opportunity was presented by an external consultant, but following a moderately detailed assessment by Tasman a decision was made not to proceed.

An ongoing "watching brief" over prospective areas in both South Australia and Western Australia is maintained.

## ***7. What is TAS's main undertaking? In answering this question, please explain the basis for TAS's answer.***

Tasman considers its main business activity (and thus its main undertaking) to be mining exploration. Tasman holds four mineral exploration licences in Australia, details of which (including recent exploration activities) are described above.

- The most prospective of these mineral exploration licences, in Tasman's opinion, is its Lake Torrens Project, Exploration Licence 5499. As noted earlier, Tasman is in serious



negotiations with a major company in relation to a possible joint venture covering this Tenement. Whilst Tasman is hopeful these negotiations will be successful, there is no guarantee of this.

- In relation to Tasman's Pernatty Project, in the December 2018 quarter, as disclosed in Tasman's recent quarterly activities report, Tasman spent approximately \$48,000 on exploration which largely relates to surveys on this exploration licence and processing of the data to identify the most prospective locations for drilling works. Tasman is actively involved in seeking a joint venture partner for this licence and is involved in preliminary discussions with a potentially interested party (again there is no guarantee that these discussions will result in the formation of any joint venture agreement).

If the joint venture negotiations in which the Company is currently engaged in relation to its Lake Torrens Project are unsuccessful, the Company intends to sole fund the testing of the highest priority target(s) in Exploration Licence 5499, with an estimated budget for exploration works in this calendar year of up to \$500,000. This amount has been allocated by the Company towards exploration works for some time but the Company considered it was in the best interests of its shareholders to defer spending this amount until it was clear whether a formal joint venture agreement was able to be negotiated with a third party in relation to this exploration licence. If a joint venture agreement is entered into over the Lake Torrens Project, this will free up the Company's exploration budget, in which case it is likely that, also dependent upon whether a joint venture partner is found for its Pernatty Project, the Company will allocate up to \$250,000 to exploration works for that project.

Tasman has spent approximately \$19 million on exploration and evaluation of its tenements to date and remains committed to further exploration of its tenements. Exploration works have necessarily been more subdued in recent times due to the downturn in the market and the high cost of the drill holes necessary to further explore Exploration Licence 5499 (the risks to Tasman's shareholders in respect to these exploration works will be minimised if Tasman is able to successfully negotiate a joint venture with a third party).

***8. Does the board of TAS consider TAS to be a 'mining exploration entity' (as defined in Chapter 19 of the Listing Rules) or is a different classification more appropriate to TAS's operations and business objectives? In answering this question, please detail the basis for that view, including with reference to TAS's history of expenditure detailed in paragraph A above and its history of capital raising and investments in EDE noted in paragraph E above.***

Under Chapter 19, a mining exploration entity is an entity whose main undertaking consists of exploration for minerals (or an entity which has been advised by ASX that it is a mining exploration entity for the purposes of the ASX Listing Rules).

As noted above, Tasman considers its main undertaking consists of exploration for minerals.

As noted above, Tasman has spent approximately \$19 million on exploration and evaluation on its tenements to date. Tasman's expenditure on exploration and evaluation of its tenements in the period FY16 to FY19 year to date has amounted to \$409,358. Expenditure in this period was affected by subdued market conditions, the high cost of drill holes to further explore EL 5499 and the seeking and negotiation (over a lengthy period of time) of suitable joint venture partners. Section 7 above details plans for exploration works for the balance of this calendar year, which are anticipated to be more substantial than in recent years.

Tasman has been the largest shareholder in Eden since its incorporation, originally as a wholly owned subsidiary of Tasman in 2004, and since its subsequent ASX listing in 2006. Whilst Tasman's shareholding has fallen and risen in percentage terms over the past 14 years as capital was raised by various methods, it has throughout the entire period to which this query relates remained

materially the same. In the period under consideration, Tasman considered it was in the best interests of its shareholders (bearing in mind Eden's prospects and, in the case of the options which were exercised, the fact that those options were in the money) to maintain the level of its shareholding in Eden.

The effect of being a mining exploration entity is that the additional reporting and disclosure obligations in Chapter 5 of the Listing Rules apply. In view of Tasman's tenement holdings and the risks and uncertainties associated with exploration for minerals, Tasman considers it is appropriate for these additional reporting and disclosure obligations to have on-going application to it (and that, as a result, it is to be appropriate for it to be a "mining exploration entity").

***9. What steps has TAS taken, or proposes to take so that it is in compliance with the requirements on listing rule 12.1? Please provide details of the time frame in which the Company proposes to achieve this outcome.***

The Company believes it is in compliance with Listing Rule 12.1. Tasman's has spent over \$18 million on its two key exploration projects, Lake Torrens (Vulcan) and Parkinson Dam and strongly believes these tenements have great potential. This potential was evidenced by the Farm In/ Joint Venture Tasman entered into with Rio Tinto Exploration (RTX) in May 2012 covering the Lake Torrens Project area (including EL 5499 and the Vulcan prospect). Under the Farm In, RTX paid to Tasman \$10 million and Tasman managed an exploration programme consisting of 12,000m of drilling including a further 9 drill holes. RTX withdrew from the Farm In Agreement in 2014.

Due to the high costs of any exploration at Lake Torrens (Vulcan), Tasman has been searching for a suitable joint venture partner to progress the project with and is currently engaged in serious negotiations with a major company in relation to a possible joint venture covering this tenement. If these joint venture negotiations are unsuccessful, Tasman intends to sole fund the testing of the highest priority target(s) in Exploration Licence 5499, with an estimated budget for exploration works in this calendar year of up to \$500,000. This amount has been allocated by the Company towards exploration works for some time but the Company considered it was in the best interests of its shareholders to defer spending this amount until it was clear whether a formal joint venture agreement was able to be negotiated with a third party in relation to this exploration licence.

***10. Please confirm the Company is in compliance with the Listing Rules and in particular Listing Rule 3.1***

The Company confirms that it is in compliance with the listing rules and, in particular, listing rule 3.1.

***11. Please confirm that the Company's response to the questions above have been authorised and approved in accordance with its published continuous disclosure policy or otherwise by its board or an officer of the Company with delegated authority from the board to respond to ASX on disclosure matters.***

The Company confirms that this response has been authorised and approved in accordance with its continuous disclosure policy.



Aaron P Gates  
Company Secretary

**Disclaimer**

*The interpretations and conclusions reached in this letter are based on current geological theory and the best evidence available to the authors at the time of writing. It is the nature of all scientific conclusions that they are founded on an assessment of probabilities and, however high these probabilities might be, they make no claim for complete certainty. Any economic decisions that might be taken on the basis of interpretations or conclusions contained in this letter will therefore carry an element of risk.*

*It should not be assumed that the reported Exploration Results will result, with further exploration, in the definition of a Mineral Resource.*

**Competent Persons Statement**

*The information in this letter that relates to Exploration Results is based on and fairly represents information compiled by Robert N. Smith, Competent Person who is a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists.*

*Mr Smith is an employee of the company. Mr Smith is a share and option holder.*

*Mr Smith has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Smith consents to the inclusion in this letter of the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.*



4 February 2019

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Dear Mr Gates

**Tasman Resources Limited ('TAS')**

ASX refers to the following.

- A. The following operating cash flow totals generated from a review of Appendix 5B quarterly cash flow reports lodged by TAS in financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year-to-date).

	Exploration & Evaluation	Staff Costs	Administration & Corporate Costs	Payments to Directors and their Associates
FY 2016	\$84,000	- <sup>1</sup>	\$873,000	\$379,000
FY 2017	\$104,000	\$350,000	\$372,000	\$477,000
FY 2018	\$121,000	\$338,000	\$425,000	\$462,000
FY 2019 (year-to-date)	\$91,000	\$185,000	\$198,000	\$236,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$873,000</b>	<b>\$1,868,000</b>	<b>\$1,554,000</b>

- B. TAS's announcement entitled "Eden Capital Raising to Raise up to A\$9.8 Million" lodged on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ('MAP') and released on 31 January 2019, disclosing that TAS, through its wholly owned subsidiary, Noble Energy Pty Ltd ('Noble'), intends to participate as a sub-underwriter for \$1.6 million in the rights issue being undertaken by Eden Innovations Ltd ('EDE').
- C. TAS's announcement entitled "Short Term Loan to Eden Innovations Ltd" lodged on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ('MAP') and released on 22 January 2019, disclosing that TAS, through Noble, has made a short term loan of \$1,000,000 to EDE, and that Noble owns approximately 39.1% of EDE's issued share capital.
- D. The rights issue, and subsequent placement of the rights issue shortfall, conducted by TAS in August through October 2018 ('2018 Raising') pursuant to a prospectus dated 13 August 2018 ('Prospectus') pursuant to which TAS raised \$2,049,939.
- E. ASX's review of TAS and EDE announcements which indicates that TAS has raised in excess of \$9 million of capital and through Noble has invested and lent in excess of \$6 million of capital to EDE during the financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year-to-date as at 31 January 2019).
- F. ASX Listing Rule 12.1 which requires a listed entity to have a level of operations which, in ASX's opinion, is sufficient to warrant the continued quotation of the entity's securities and its continued listing.

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## Request for Information

Having regard to the above, ASX asks TAS to respond **separately** to each of the following questions and requests for information:

1. What is TAS's current cash and cash equivalents (approximately, and excluding any cash held by EDE) as at the date of TAS's response to this letter?
2. How much capital has TAS raised in each of the financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year-to-date as at 31 January 2019)?
3. How much capital has TAS invested in (ie by acquiring shares and options, including through the exercise of options) or lent to EDE in each of the financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year-to-date as at 31 January 2019)?
4. How much of the \$2,049,939 raised in the 2018 Raising has been expended, and on what items? In answering this question, please detail the expenditure of these funds against the use of funds' line items set out in the table in section 6.5 of the Prospectus, including any line items not included in that table.
5. Please provide a breakdown of each of total Staff Costs and total Administration & Corporate Costs incurred by TAS for the period of financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year-to-date as at 31 December 2018). In answering this question, please indicate the payments made to related parties and related entities of TAS and their associates.
6. Please provide an explanation of the exploration activities carried out, and a breakdown of the total Exploration & Evaluation costs incurred, by TAS for the period of financial years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year-to-date as at 31 December 2018).
7. What is TAS's main undertaking? In answering this question, please explain the basis for TAS's answer.
8. Does the board of TAS consider TAS to be a 'mining exploration entity' (as defined in chapter 19 of the Listing Rules) or is a different classification more appropriate for TAS's operations and business objectives? In answering this question, please detail the basis for that view, including with reference to TAS's history of expenditure detailed in paragraph A above and its history of capital raising and investments in EDE noted in paragraph E above.
9. What steps has TAS taken, or what steps does it propose to take, so that it complies with the requirements of Listing Rule 12.1? Please provide details of the timeframe in which TAS proposes to achieve this outcome.
10. Please confirm that TAS is complying with the Listing Rules and, in particular, Listing Rule 3.1.
11. Please confirm that TAS's responses to the questions above have been authorised and approved in accordance with its published continuous disclosure policy or otherwise by its board or an officer of TAS with delegated authority from the board to respond to ASX on disclosure matters.

## When and where to send your response

This request is made under Listing Rule 18.7. Your response is required as soon as reasonably possible and, in any event, **by no later than 2pm TimeAWST on Friday, 8 February 2019.**

If we do not have your response by then, ASX will suspend trading in TAS's securities under Listing Rule 17.3. You should note that if the information requested by this letter is information required to be given to ASX under Listing Rule 3.1 and it does not fall within the exceptions mentioned in Listing Rule 3.1A, TAS's obligation is to disclose the information "immediately". This may require the information to be disclosed before the deadline set out in the previous paragraph.

ASX reserves the right to release a copy of this letter and your response on the ASX Market Announcements Platform under Listing Rule 18.7A. Accordingly, your response should be in a form suitable for release to the

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market. Your response should be sent to me by e-mail at [ListingsCompliancePerth@asx.com.au](mailto:ListingsCompliancePerth@asx.com.au). It should **not** be sent directly to the ASX Market Announcements Office. This is to allow me to review your response to confirm that it is in a form appropriate for release to the market, before it is published on the ASX Market Announcements Platform.

### **Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A**

Listing Rule 3.1 requires a listed entity to give ASX immediately any information concerning it that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of the entity's securities. Exceptions to this requirement are set out in Listing Rule 3.1A. In responding to this letter, you should have regard to TAS's obligations under Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A and also to Guidance Note 8 *Continuous Disclosure: Listing Rules 3.1 – 3.1B*. It should be noted that TAS's obligation to disclose information under Listing Rule 3.1 is not confined to, nor is it necessarily satisfied by, answering the questions set out in this letter.

### **Trading halt**

If you are unable to respond to this letter by the time specified above, you should discuss with us whether it is appropriate to request a trading halt in TAS's securities under Listing Rule 17.1. If you wish a trading halt, you must tell us:

- the reasons for the trading halt;
- how long you want the trading halt to last;
- the event you expect to happen that will end the trading halt;
- that you are not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted; and
- any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt, or that we ask for.

We require the request for a trading halt to be in writing. The trading halt cannot extend past the commencement of normal trading on the second day after the day on which it is granted.

You can find further information about trading halts in Guidance Note 16 *Trading Halts & Voluntary Suspensions*.

### **Enquiries**

Please contact me if you have any queries or concerns about this letter.

Yours sincerely

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