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Mr Bob Sendt Chairperson Local Government Boundaries Commission Locked Bag 3015 NOWRA NSW 2541

By email: Bob.Sendt@lgbc.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Sendt

On 6 July 2021 I received the attached business case from Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council under section 218CC of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) setting out a proposal (the Proposal) for the de-amalgamation of the Council by reconstituting its former areas of Cootamundra Shire and Gundagai Shire.

As required by section 218CC(2) of the Act, I hereby refer the Proposal to the Local Government Boundaries Commission. Further, in accordance with that section, I note that I am required by section 218CC(2) to direct that the Commission conduct an inquiry and report on the Proposal.

I note the Local Government Boundaries Commission has previously reported on the same proposal from Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council and the Government publically released the report and its response on 20 July 2021.

Yours sincerely

The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP Minister for Local Government

Enc: Business Case containing de-amalgamation proposal and covering letter of 6 July 2021.