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Dear Mr Scott

Thank you for your letter of 13 December 2021 regarding Vaccination re COVID-19 mandates and risk mitigation.

I note the timeframes Together has outlined in relation to COVID-19 vaccinations and am committed to engaging with Together as we progress.

For your awareness, I have introduced the voluntary disclosure of vaccination status to Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water (RDMW) employees, and I am encouraging them to record their COVID-19 vaccination status in our payroll system. Vaccination status data will be used to inform RDMW's risk assessments, which will continue to be built through January 2022.

I am considering the proposal to mandate COVID-19 vaccinations for all staff who are required to access remote and discrete communities as part of their official duties and have also initiated consultation regarding mandatory vaccinations in 1 William Street. RDMW, as well as the Public Service Commission, will continue to engage with Together as we finalise risk assessments and progress through consultations.

Thank you for supporting your members and working with RDMW to protect its staff and the community that we deliver for.

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Monique Butler, Acting Director Human Resources, Corporate Services, Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water, on (07) 3333 5187 or email monique.butler@rdmw.qld.gov.au, who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

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