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Attention: Alistair Innes - Walker

Ref: Norfolk Island Airport Repair and Rehabilitation Contract (SPT 171819NIRC)
Consideration of Additional Road Maintenance Asphalt Works

As part of formal tender proposal it was highlighted in Boral's submission that 'while the asphalt plant and equipment are on the island, Boral is open to negotiate with NIRC for a road maintenance program.' Boral is currently in the process of quantifying resources necessary for the current scope of works and would like to remind NIRC of the opportunity that has been presented. A significant opportunity exists for NIRC and the community to improve the local roads whilst Boral and the resources required to undertake road maintenance asphalt overlay works will also be established as part of the Airport works.

Boral suggests that asphalt road construction could present an opportunity for:

- the utilisation of existing crushed aggregates (from previous contract works)
- the available Cascade rock source to be explored (blasted, crushed by local industry) for incorporation into these works (should NIRC assess this option as viable)
- time to be available to manufacture local aggregates as these works would be programmed after the airport works
- completion of these works from imported aggregates is possible (should local aggregates not be viable) by the increasing of the quantity of the important aggregates and components and
- delivery of these additional materials whilst the opportunity (the Ball Bay groyne) exists

Additionally, Boral believes that in the consideration of this type of additional works, NIRC should also consider the following points:

- the resources required for asphalt road construction are not typically available on the island
- there are potential financial benefits through the economy of scale for these road works
- Boral provides significant technical expertise in asphalt pavement construction and can provide the technical expertise to work with NIRC and/or its representatives to develop a suitable asphalt mix design, potentially in accordance with a specification utilising some of the opportunities listed above (for example the use of local aggregates)

Should NIRC have any further questions or you would like to discuss these options further please do not hesitate to contact the under signed

Regards

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