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**Your Submission to the TPC Review:** I write to make a submission to the review of the Tasmanian Planning Commission:

THE TPC MUST HAVE ITS INDEPENDENCE MAINTAINED:

MY RECOMMENDATIONS

The TPC must retain its capacity to perform its current functions independently of government.

The TPC's governance should be free from Ministerial influence, and no changes should be made that undermine the public perception of the independent operation of the TPC.

THE TPC MUST MAINTAIN ITS FUNCTION OF ASSESSING PROJECTS OF STATE AND REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE

MY RECOMMENDATIONS

The TPC must retain its existing responsibility to assess projects of State significance e.g. major projects like Gunns Pulp Mill and Ralphs Bay, and to provide advice and recommendations to the Minister.

The role of the TPC in assessing and approving projects of State and regional significance through existing processes should not be undermined e.g. through the draft Major Projects Bill.

THE TPC MUST BE PROPERLY FUNDED

MY RECOMMENDATIONS

Properly fund the TPC to allow it to carry out existing statutory roles, including the State of Environment Report and new State Policies.

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