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29th October, 2025

By Registered Post and Email
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RE: REJECTION OF CORRESPONDENCE DATED 28TH OCTOBER 2025 FOR LAWFUL CAUSES

Dear [redacted],

Your letter of 28th October 2025 is returned for lawful causes.

As stated unequivocally in our correspondence of 24th October 2025, AMASS terminated all further engagement with PCRE pending your written commitment to six prerequisite conditions necessary for genuine stakeholder consultation.

Your 28th October response demonstrates a continued pattern of bad faith that aligns precisely with the eight documented failures outlined in our termination letter. Specifically:

PCRE's Ongoing Evasions

Your letter fails to address any of the substantive issues we raised. Instead, it merely restates a vague offer to "meet the AMASS Committee in the spirit of seeking to understand each other's positions better." This represents exactly the approach AMASS has consistently rejected: an invitation to engage without first remedying the documented systematic failures in stakeholder engagement.

This is the fourth consecutive communication from PCRE in which you have refused to provide substantive answers to the four straightforward questions first posed on 22nd August 2025:

1. What methodology will be employed to comprehensively identify all affected stakeholders?
2. How will direct engagement be ensured with those most significantly impacted?
3. What steps will be taken to align consultation practices with modern stakeholder engagement standards?
4. How will the consultation gaps identified to date be addressed?

Your failure to answer these questions, now for the fourth time, is not an oversight. It is a strategic choice that confirms AMASS's assessment: PCRE has no intention of conducting genuine, transparent, fit-for-purpose stakeholder engagement as required by the ISEA/Fehily Timoney Industry Planning Guidance (2023).

AMASS's Position Remains Unchanged

Until PCRE commits, in writing, to the six prerequisites outlined in our 24th October correspondence, no further engagement will occur. The prerequisites are:

1. Written substantive answers to the four outstanding questions
2. Commitment to comprehensive re-notification of all impacted stakeholders within 2km radius (consistent with documented property devaluation impacts identified in peer-reviewed research)
3. Public consultation event with minimum 21 days' notice
4. Full disclosure of project parameters (substation location, BESS location, final site layouts)
5. Written confirmation that consultation will occur before final design decisions, with clear indication of what elements remain open to community input
6. All engagement to be fully public, on-record, and inclusive of entire affected community

Final Notice Regarding Future Correspondence

AMASS recognises that this is a matter of significant public interest, and we remain willing to engage constructively with PCRE. However, we are now placing PCRE on formal notice that:

Any further correspondence from PCRE that fails to provide substantive written responses to the prerequisites outlined above, or which merely restates vague commitments to "meet" or "engage" without concrete commitments, will be construed as vexatious and nonproductive communication. Such correspondence will not receive further substantive responses.

AMASS reserves the right to:

- Treat repeated attempts to re-engage without addressing the documented procedural failures as evidence of bad-faith conduct
- Forward all such correspondence, together with this formal notice, to the relevant planning authorities and elected representatives as evidence of PCRE's unwillingness to conduct genuine stakeholder engagement

This is not a refusal to engage. This is a boundary: engage meaningfully or do not engage at all.

Your offer to "notify AMASS directly" of future public consultation events is noted. AMASS will participate in any such public consultation, where we will provide detailed factual objections to the proposed development. We will be documenting PCRE's procedural failures in detail for submission to the relevant planning authority as evidence of deficient stakeholder engagement and departure from industry best practice (ISEA Guidance 2023).

Yours faithfully,

Brendan Cronin

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Chairman, AMASS

Encl. PCRE letter of 28th October 2025 – returned for lawful causes

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Dear Mr Cronin,

RE: Bellville Solar Project – Offer to Meet

Thank you for your letter dated 24th October 2025.

It is unfortunate that you feel you are no longer able to engage with us, as PCRE remain open to engaging with AMASS whilst we continue preparations for further and wider public consultation.

Our offer to meet the AMASS Committee in the spirit of seeking to understand each other's positions better still stands should you wish to accept it, and we reaffirm our commitment to notify AMASS directly, in addition to notifying local residents, elected representatives and other key stakeholders, when arrangements for a second public consultation event have been finalised.

Yours Sincerely,

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