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**BY COURIER**

Dear Professor Fowler

**Adelaide SAS7 Television Broadcast - 17 September 2005 (the "Broadcast")**

We act for OneSteel Manufacturing Pty Ltd in connection with various Environment, Resources & Development Court proceedings and the disputes the subject of those proceedings between the Whyalla Red Dust Action Group Inc concerning the emission of fugitive iron ore dust from our client's manufacturing facilities in Whyalla.

During the Broadcast, you were interviewed as a representative of the Environmental Defenders' Office and said referring to iron ore dust in Whyalla: *"These red dust particles are at a size where if they lodge in the lungs, there is now a growing body of scientific opinion that it can have long-term serious health impacts."*

Our client takes strong objection to your statement. It is totally unfounded and is unable to be substantiated in any way, as you should well know as a representative of the EDO.

Furthermore, the issue of the health impact of iron ore dust in Whyalla has been the subject of long-standing dispute between our client and your office and its client, the Whyalla Red Dust Action Group Inc. Despite the various proceedings pending before the ERD Court, neither your office nor its client has been able to substantiate an alleged health impact.

Finally, given your academic standing and position as a representative of the EDO, our client considers your statements highly irresponsible and likely to cause the public unnecessary worry and concern.

Yours faithfully

  
**FISHER JEFFRIES**