



**RE: MARINE INDUSTRY SOUTH EAST QUEENSLAND**

The Marine Industry in South East Queensland is an example of a specialist "Smart" Industry, progressing and emerging as a major contributor to exports for Australia. The Industry sees the "clustering" of new manufacturers in the region as an essential ingredient to sustained innovation and hence survival long term.

The Industry thrives on the emerging skills of its neighbours. It does not see the business next door as a competitor but as a colleague who will also attract International customers to the region.

***The Industry needs to "Showcase" to its customers.***

South East Queensland is also a beautiful destination so customers and agents tend to stay a little longer. But more importantly they want to return on a regular basis. This activity drives local tourism.

One of the major problems facing the Industry is this critical shortage of marina facilities and new areas to encourage other boat builders and other service Industry to emerge in areas adjacent to the water.

We have examined the proposals put forward by Northeast Business Park Pty Ltd for the Caboolture Marine Industry Park and associated Marina and would like to make it known that we wholly support them with their endeavors.

Regards,

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Joe Akacich  
(Managing Director)