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Hi,

I would like to thank both of you for meeting on site this morning to discuss the issues around the pruning permit for the specified milkwood tree.

Just to recap, we were all in agreement that the request for pruning 50% of the existing tree was worded wrongly in the original permit application, and that the requirement is much less as discussed and pointed out during the site visit. It was agreed that DAFF would approve the pruning permit, for partly pruning the milkwood tree to accommodate the construction of the proposed power line, based on specific permit conditions that need to be followed during this process. These conditions were discussed during the site visit and was accepted by all present.

The proposed conditions we discussed are as follow:

- A DAFF official will be on site for the duration of the pruning to ensure that only the required amount, as discussed this morning, will be pruned from the tree and that the DAFF guidelines are followed during this process.
- Guidelines will be provided on which branches will be allowed to be pruned to ensure the survival of the tree as well as the successful construction of the proposed power line.
- Only DAFF approved companies will be allowed to prune the tree, and it need to be in accordance to their guidelines.

Please let me have your comments on the above and let me know if you would like to add anything.

Kind regards

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