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Mr Justin Field MLC
Member for the Legislative Council
Parliament House
Macquarie St
Sydney NSW 2000
Via email: justin.field@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Field

URGENT Purchase of Radiata Plateau – the missing piece in the Blue Mountains World Heritage Area

The Blue Mountains Conservation Society (BMCS) is a community based volunteer organisation with over 800 members. It is the oldest continuing environmental organisation in the Blue Mountains. The goal of the Society is to promote the conservation of the environment in the Greater Blue Mountains region.

The Society and the Blue Mountains community are calling on the NSW Minister for Energy and Environment Matt Kean to make a landmark conservation decision and purchase Radiata Plateau for inclusion in the Blue Mountains National Park. A copy of the letter to Minister Kean is attached.

The Plateau is privately owned and has just been listed for sale on the open market. Urgent action is required - the time to act is now before the opportunity to purchase the Plateau is lost forever.

The Society and the Blue Mountains community are making an urgent plea that you help us to conserve the Plateau, including making representations on the community's behalf to Minister Kean. Radiata Plateau is available to purchase now, and there is a willing vendor whose preference is to sell to the NSW Government for the area to be reserved for conservation. This maybe the last chance to acquire the Plateau – we urge you to assist us in ensuring a lasting legacy for the NSW community.

As a member of Parliament with a keen interest in the environment, we ask that Society and community representatives meet with you urgently to discuss the Plateau and its future. Please contact me on the number below to arrange a meeting.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lachlan Garland', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Lachlan Garland
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