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Cc: Andrew Fitchie; Steven Bell
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There will be another series of articles in the press over the coming days following a journalists trip to Spain, organised with CAF, to see the first trams.

One of these journalists, clearly looking for a different angle, has just called me for some quotes on the project, and again put to me some allegations about TIE's behaviour and the causes of the problems on this project. I asked him where he got these allegations from, and he said 'Bilfinger Berger', I asked him 'are you talking to Bilfinger Berger?' he said 'yes, all the time, mostly off the record.'

He also put some suggestions to me that related to my personal credibility, although to be fair he didn't say where these had come from.

As I discussed with Drs Keysberg and Schnepedahl and David Darcy in Germany last week I do not believe this is in the best interests of the project.

Richard, we also discussed the Herald article on Monday and the fact that some members of the public seem to be in possession of information that cannot have been obtained from public sources, which they are then using to feed the press or submit Freedom of Information requests.

Please double check that your teams and advisors are not discussing this project inappropriately.

Regards

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