



Australian Government

**Department of Families, Housing,
Community Services and Indigenous Affairs**

Michael Dillon
Deputy Secretary

Mr Jason McNamara
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PARKES ACT 2600

Dear Mr McNamara

I am writing in relation to the attached report prepared by the Working Group on Taxation of Native Title and Traditional Owner Benefits and Governance to examine the tax treatment of Aboriginal land-related payments and how these can better benefit Indigenous communities now and into the future.

I certify that the report meets the Government's best practice regulation requirements consistent with paragraph 3.18 of the Best Practice Regulation Handbook (June 2013), and has followed a similar process to that required for a regulatory impact statement (RIS). The Department intends to complete a details-stage RIS prior to the Government making a final decision in relation to this matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'm dillon'.

M C Dillon

18 July 2013