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Associate to Hon. Justice Ross AO
Fair Work Commission
11 Exhibition Street
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Dear Associate

AM2020/99, AM2021/63 and AM2021/65: Applications to vary the Aged Care Award 2010, Nurses Award 2010 and Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010

We refer to the above matters, which are scheduled to be jointly heard by a Full Bench of the Fair Work Commission (**Commission**) in 2022 (**Proceedings**).

The State of Victoria is a significant funder of public sector residential aged care services, and the largest public provider (via its relevant health services) of residential aged care in Australia. Given this context, the State notes that the outcome of the Proceedings will have implications for the provision of residential aged care in Victoria.

At this time, the State is monitoring the Proceedings, and the purpose of this letter is to notify the Commission and the parties that it may, in the future, seek to make a submission to the Commission in the Proceedings. It is anticipated that any submission would provide valuable context about the Victorian aged care system and relevant econometric data.

Should the State seek to make a submission in the Proceedings, and the Commission permitted the State to do so, any submission would be made by 18 February 2022, consistently with the current directions in relation to the filing of employer and employer organisation materials.

If any further information in relation to the State's position in this respect would assist the Commission at this time, please contact Simon Chant, A/Executive Director, Workplace

Relations and Engagement in the department on telephone 03 9456 3323 or by email to simon.chant@health.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Greg Stenton
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