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Dear Mr Laurie *Neil,*

### **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (FAC) REPORT NO. 47 – QTT ANNUAL REPORT 2012-13**

As you are aware, the Finance and Administration Committee tabled its Report No. 47 on 7 August 2014, following consideration of Queensland Treasury and Trade's Annual report for 2012-13.

The response to the Report's recommendations is attached.

In accordance with section 106 of the *Parliament of Queensland Act 2001*, I would be pleased if you would arrange for this response to be tabled.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tim Nicholls', written in a cursive style.

**Tim Nicholls**  
**Treasurer and Minister for Trade**

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Our Reference: TOQ-07292  
Your Reference: D2.14.06



Queensland Treasury and Trade

6 November 2014

Mr S Davies  
Chair  
Finance and Administration Committee  
Parliament House  
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Dear Mr Davies

**Finance & Administration Committee (FAC) Report No. 47 – QTT Annual report 2012-13**

Thank you for your letter of 8 August, 2014 to the Honourable Tim Nicholls, Treasurer and Minister for Trade, advising that the Report above was tabled on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2014 following consideration of Queensland Treasury & Trade's (QTT) Annual report for 2012-13.

The Committee sought the response of the Honourable the Treasurer and Minister for Trade to the Report's one recommendation:

*The Committee recommends that the Auditor-General and the relevant parliamentary committees be included in any consultation process regarding changes to the performance reporting framework.*

As you will be aware, since consideration of the QTT 2012-13 Annual Report by the FAC, the Committee has also met with Treasury to consider the 2013-14 Annual Report and has held a separate session with QTT to discuss monitoring and reporting performance as part of the Committee's inquiry into that topic. At that session, there was a wide ranging discussion including noting of the central role that Department of Premier & Cabinet play.

In this regard, therefore, I believe that the recommendation has been somewhat overtaken by recent Committee proceedings and will be comprehensively covered in the findings of the current review.

Yours sincerely

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**Attachment**

**Finance & Administration Committee (FAC) Report No. 47 – QTT Annual report 2012-13**

Treasurer and Minister for Trade's Response to Recommendation of Report 47:

**Recommendation:**

*The Committee recommends that the Auditor-General and the relevant parliamentary committees be included in any consultation process regarding changes to the performance reporting framework.*

**Response:**

Following consideration of the QTT 2012-13 Annual Report by the FAC, the Committee has met with Treasury to consider the QTT 2013-14 Annual Report. On the 29 October 2014 it also met with Treasury officials to directly discuss monitoring and reporting performance as part of the Committee's inquiry into that topic.

At that session, I understand that there was a wide ranging discussion including consideration of the relative roles of the Department of Premier & Cabinet, departmental CEOs and the Auditor-General. These discussions were fruitful in identifying the challenge faced by accountable officers in improving performance reporting and to this end the need to work cooperatively across the sector.

In this regard, therefore, I believe that the recommendation has been somewhat overtaken by recent Committee proceedings and will be comprehensively covered in the findings of the current review.