

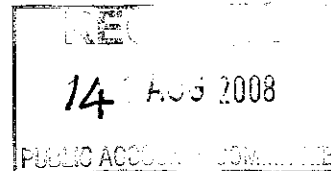


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Dear Ms Jeffrey

Inquiry into an evaluation of the effectiveness of the performance management systems (PMS) audit mandate in terms of the Parliament's previously expressed position

Thank you for your letter of 3 June 2008 concerning the Inquiry into the effectiveness of the Auditor-General's performance management systems audit mandate.

I support the terms of reference. I would like to reinforce the need for the broadening of the scope of audits to include an assessment of the effectiveness of an Agency's performance management framework. That is assessing whether the Agency's framework supports

- the ability to demonstrate improvements to industry and community outcomes
- greater public access to data, to support performance evaluation
- fostering innovation and learning through improvements in Public Policy

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Sally Hall on telephone 07 3239 0509 or email Sally.Hall@dpi.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely


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