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Inquiry
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Dear Mr Hill

**Barrett Adolescent Centre Commission of Inquiry - Metro South Hospital and Health Service
(Metro South)
Issues arising from further submission of [REDACTED]**

We refer to your letter of 29 April 2016 in respect of supplementary submissions and statement of [REDACTED]

In so far as our client is concerned, we wish to comment in respect of the points in your letter referable to page 8 of [REDACTED] supplementary submissions as follows:

1. As to whether the National Standards is an appropriate document to benchmark, we consider this is a question best answered by the State of Queensland given that it has a potential for state wide implications. Beyond that, we observe that there has not been any evidence to suggest that the Standards have not been complied with vis a vis patients received by Metro South Hospital and Health Service. Similarly, there is no evidence to suggest that the Queensland Carer's Charter has not been complied with vis a vis patients received by our client. Further, we reiterate our written submissions which speak to the appropriateness of the individualised transition plans and arrangements for the patients received by our client.
2. In accordance with indications previously given by the Commission, we are of the understanding that if the Commissioner is considering making any adverse finding against our client in respect of this (or any other) issue, then notices as to same will be sent by the Commission inviting a response.

Yours sincerely

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