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Dear Mr Buckley

Thank you for your correspondence of 25 February 2019 regarding the Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability (the Royal Commission).

Territorians with a disability deserve the highest standard of care in safe environments. The Northern Territory Government (NTG) is committed to providing the best possible support to Territorians with a disability.

The NTG supports the establishment of the Royal Commission and looks forward to working with the Australian Government to progress it. Additionally, the NTG will ensure the participation of Territorians with a disability in the inquiry is maximised.

Through the transition phase of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), the NTG has put in place a comprehensive quality and safeguarding framework. The framework is rigorous in its approach, promoting culturally and linguistically diverse support provision that is accessible, responsive and safe for all Territorians, including Aboriginal people and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

As the Minister for Disabilities, and as a member of the Disability Reform Council, I look forward to further discussion on the arrangements and scope of the Royal Commission to ensure Territorians with a disability and their family, in particular those in rural and remote regions, are engaged in the process.

Yours sincerely

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