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Via email: [REDACTED]

Dear Ms Towers

Thank you for contacting the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment regarding the section 9 reviews being undertaken by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) as part of the infrastructure contribution reforms. The two reviews are for the development of standardised benchmark costs for local infrastructure and a review of the current essential works list.

I note that IPART's Terms of Reference for the reviews state the final reports are to be submitted to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces by 31 December 2021. The request for an extension to the timeframe for the final reports on the two section 9 reviews was considered by the Infrastructure Contribution Reforms Implementation Steering Committee on 11 November 2021.

I am pleased to advise that the Steering Committee agreed to extend the timeframe to 18 February 2022.

During our current consultation process, we have heard that IPART's submissions should be open until 10 December 2021 to align with the exhibition dates of the contribution reforms. I would appreciate you considering an extension to the submission deadline for your reviews.

If you have any more questions, please contact Ms Kate Speare, Director, Infrastructure Funding, at the Department on [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely

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