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SUBMISSION- IPART REVIEW OF ELECTION COSTS

We refer to the above matter and provide the following by way of update to your file:

- 1. IPARTS approach is agreed;
- 2. Efficiencies and streamlining should be investigated;
- 3. The NSW Electoral Office should actively encourage and collect email addresses of enrolled voters and use that as a means of promoting elections including by-elections;
- 4. The better use of technology should be investigated including voting on line and electronic voting in polling booths. This should be introduced, marketed and then should lead to a reduction in labour costs over time, which represent the major costs for elections.

Yours faithfully



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