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Dear Mr Storey

## Request for an audit of Australian Wool Innovation

Thank you for your letter of 1 February 2022 requesting that I consider additional matters to those raised by the Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport (RRAT) Committee in its request for an audit of Australian Wool Innovation (AWI), dated 20 October 2021.

As noted in my response to the RRAT Committee's request for an audit of AWI, I will consider undertaking an audit of the matters referred in 2021–22, or if not possible, I will consider the topic in the development of the Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) 2022–23 Annual Audit Work Program.

When a performance audit is commenced, the first phase of the audit process involves planning the audit, including defining the audit objective, scope and audit criteria. This phase generally involves a review of information relating to the program or activity to be audited. Your request that an audit of AWI include governance and financial management would be considered at this time.

Consistent with our normal processes, if the audit proceeds its objective and criteria will be published on the ANAO website. If you subscribe to the Agriculture, Water and Environment portfolio section on the ANAO website you will receive an automated notification when the audit has commenced: <u>Agriculture, Water and the Environment | Australian National Audit Office (anao.gov.au)</u>.

Yours sincerely

Grant Hehir

Copy: Senator Susan McDonald, Chair, Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee.