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Dear Ms Scrymgour *Marion*

Thank you for writing to me on behalf of the Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Northern Australia, seeking an update on the Government's response to the recommendations of the statutory Review of the *Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility Act 2016* (the Review).

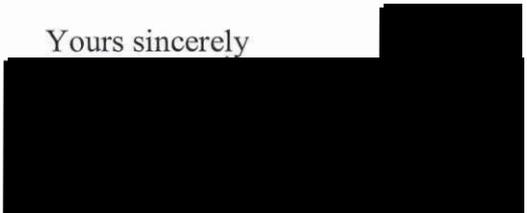
The Review, which I tabled in Parliament in August 2025, found overwhelming support for the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF) and that it plays a vital role in providing investment support for the development of northern Australia.

I was pleased to announce as part of my Annual Statement on Northern Australia on 24 November 2025, our Government's commitment to continuing the NAIF for another decade. To deliver this commitment, I will introduce legislation to replace the existing expiry of NAIF's investment period to 30 June 2036 and to introduce a review of NAIF's operations every five years to make sure the NAIF remains as effective as it is today.

These changes recognise the importance of the NAIF and reassure communities and stakeholders it will be delivering outcomes for northern Australia for the long-term. I also thank the Committee for taking the time to meet with the Review Panel.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me and your continued focus on improving outcomes for northern Australia.

Yours sincerely


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cc: Senator the Hon Nita Green, Assistance Minister for Northern Australia