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Dear Senator *Doug* Cameron

Report on Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Fibre Deployment) Bill 2010

The Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications and the Arts released its report into the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Fibre Deployment) Bill 2010 (2010 Bill) on 12 May 2010. Normally the Government would have responded to the Committee's report during the second reading debate on the 2010 Bill. However, before debate occurred on the 2010 Bill, the Parliament was prorogued and the 2010 Bill lapsed.

The government subsequently introduced the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Fibre Deployment) Bill 2011 (the 2011 Bill) into the Parliament on 23 March this year. In preparing the 2011 Bill the government considered the Committee's report on the 2010 Bill and this was made clear in the second reading speeches for the 2011 Bill in both the House of Representatives and the Senate. As such the government does not consider any formal response is required, and I ask that the report be removed from the list of reports still requiring a government response.

Yours sincerely

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