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Dear Ms Buchanan

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**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS: 1 JULY 2019 to 30 JUNE 2021 –
COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

I am pleased to provide you with my Statement of Expectations for the Commission for Children and Young People (the Commission). This Statement of Expectations is for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2021.

As Minister for Child Protection and Minister for Disability, Ageing and Carers I am committed to supporting and improving the wellbeing of our most vulnerable Victorians. My responsibilities include administering the *Child Wellbeing and Safety Act 2005*, which was established to protect the wellbeing of children and provides for two significant regulatory schemes – being the Reportable Conduct Scheme and the Child Safe Standards.

Improving regulatory practice

Regulators must operate within a framework that enables them to maximise efficiency and effectiveness. The Statement of Expectations Framework for Regulators includes three mandatory criteria of good regulatory practice being timeliness, risk-based strategies and compliance-related assistance and advice.

Therefore, the Commission's performance improvements include a continued focus on risk-based strategies, and the development of a risk-based compliance and enforcement strategy.

Publishing and reporting requirements

I expect that the Commission will respond to this Statement of Expectations, outlining how it intends to achieve the performance improvements and targets set in this Statement of Expectations. This response should include details of the specific activities that will be undertaken by the Commission.

The Commission is required to publish the attached Statement of Expectations performance improvements, and its response to these on the Commission's website.

Reporting on the Commission's progress to achieve these performance improvements must be undertaken shortly after the conclusion of the 2019-20 and 2020-21 financial years on the Commission's website.

I look forward to the Commission working continuously towards achieving best practice in the administration and enforcement of regulation, which should in turn lead to better outcomes for Victoria's children and young people.

Yours sincerely

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Commission for Children and Young People

This Statement of Expectations applies from the date of signature on this correspondence to 30 June 2021, or until otherwise amended. It sets out my expectations in relation to the Commission for Children and Young People (the Commission). I have identified the following performance objectives and opportunities to improve the Commission's regulatory performance.

Timeliness

- Provide clarity about the timing and scope of regulatory processes by measuring performance against key performance indicators and publishing the results.

Risk-based strategies

- Develop an approach to reviewing the operation and performance of the risk-based regulation framework.

Compliance related assistance and advice

- Tailor compliance related assistance and advice strategies based on the risk profile of regulated sectors.

Cooperation amongst regulators

- Demonstrate leadership amongst child safety regulators and actively build cooperation.
- Facilitate child safety regulators coming together to identify good practice and share lessons.