

# Appendix A:

## Submissions and comments

We have consulted with the agencies listed in Appendix D, and we considered their views when reaching our review conclusions. As required by the *Audit Act 1994*, we gave a draft copy of this report, or relevant extracts, to those agencies and asked for their submissions and comments.

Responsibility for the accuracy, fairness and balance of those comments rests solely with the relevant agency head.

### Responses received

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## Response provided by the Secretary, Department of Education



### Department of Education

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Dear Mr Greaves

**Proposed report for the limited assurance review: Responses to performance engagement recommendations annual status update 2024**

Thank you for the letter from the acting Auditor-General on 16 August 2024, and the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed report for this limited assurance review.

The Department of Education is committed to continuous improvement and will continue to address recommendations identified through VAGO's performance audits and limited assurance reviews. The department has reviewed the proposed report and has no comments.

Should you wish to discuss this further, please contact Shamiso Mtenje, Executive Director, Assurance, Knowledge and Executive Services on [REDACTED] or by email on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely



**Jenny Atta**  
Secretary  
29 / 08 / 2024

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Dear Acting Auditor-General

**Proposed draft report – Responses to Performance Engagement Recommendations: Annual Status Update 2024**

Thank you for your letter of 16 August 2024 enclosing the proposed report for the Victorian Auditor-General's Office (VAGO) limited assurance review *Responses to performance engagement recommendations: Annual status update 2024* and inviting a submission from the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA) for inclusion in the final report.

DEECA accepts the recommendations made during the survey period of this engagement. DEECA confirms that the proposed report accurately reflects DEECA's response to VAGO's survey as at 31 December 2023.

Should you require any further information please contact Bronwyn Clarke, Acting Executive Director, Strategy and Performance, DEECA, at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely



**John Bradley**  
Secretary

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Dear Mr Greaves

**Victorian Auditor-General's Office - Responses to performance engagement recommendations: annual status update 2024 - Proposed report**

Thank you for your letter of 16 August 2023 and for providing the Department of Transport and Planning (the Department) with an opportunity to respond to the proposed report for the *Responses to performance engagement recommendations: annual status update 2024* limited assurance review.

The Department appreciates the opportunity to participate in this annual review and acknowledges the importance of providing Parliament and the public with information about the extent to which public entities, including the Department, are responding to and monitoring actions against performance audit recommendations. The Department has no further comment on the report.

The Department is committed to the timely completion of VAGO recommendations and its continued performance in completing recommendations allocated to the Department.

Yours sincerely



**Paul Younis (DTP)**  
Department Secretary

Date: 23 August 2024

