



Australian Government

Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

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Contact Officer
CATSI Aboriginal Corporation

Dear XXX,

Reforms to the CATSI Act: more accountability, less red tape

The Australian Government is proposing reforms to strengthen and improve the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (CATSI Act). The reforms are intended to benefit Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations by reducing red tape, especially for small corporations, and increasing transparency for members. There are also minor changes to streamline and clarify some parts of the CATSI Act.

The proposed amendments were informed by an independent technical review of the CATSI Act and stakeholder consultations undertaken as part of that review. A summary of the proposed reforms is attached, and a more detailed discussion paper will be available soon.

Have your say

To ensure that the amended legislation will work as intended, we are making arrangements for a second round of consultations. Sessions will be held as per the attached schedule.

You can see all the latest news and information on changes to the CATSI Act—and register to attend a consultation session—at oric.gov.au/catsi-review.

If you have any queries or concerns, please email [CATSIreview@oric.gov.au](mailto:CATSIREVIEW@oric.gov.au) or phone the call centre on 1800 622 431.

Yours sincerely

Mike Fordham

Registrar

Schedule for consultations on the CATSI Act

| Date | Time | Location |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 7 August | 3.30–5.30pm | Coffs Harbour |
| 8 August | 3.30–5.30pm | Darwin |
| 13 August | 3.30–5.30pm | Broome |
| 17 August | 10am–12noon | Kununurra |
| 21 August | 3.30–5.30pm | Alice Springs |
| 22 August | 3.30–5.30pm | Perth |
| 24 August | 3.30–5.30pm | Adelaide |
| 27 August | 3.30–5.30pm | Cairns |
| 28 August | 10am–12noon | Dubbo |
| 29 August | 3.30–5.30pm | Sydney (Redfern) |
| 29 August | 6–8pm | Thursday Island |
| 3 September | 10.30am–12.30pm | Melbourne |
| 14 September | 10.30am–12.30pm | Brisbane |