



Mr John Carter
Committee Secretary
Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee
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Dear Mr Carter

Re: Senate Inquiry into the provision of child care

Community Child Care (CCC) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Senate Inquiry into the provision of Child Care. CCC is the peak body for community owned and managed, not-for-profit children's services in Victoria and has been advocating on behalf of the community sector for 35 years. CCC would like to see salvaged from the ashes of the collapse of ABC Learning the recognition of the inherent financial and social risks in the corporatisation of an important public good service such as early childhood education and care and a recognition of the inherent strengths of the community sector in building social capital and linking children and families into strong community networks of support.

Enclosed is our response to the terms of reference for the inquiry. We give permission for this to be made public.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Barbara Romeril". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Barbara Romeril
Executive Director