



THE SENATE
SELECT COMMITTEE ON COVID-19

18 January 2022

Ms Penny Shakespeare
Acting Secretary
Department of Health

Via email:

Cc:

Dear Ms Shakespeare

Thank you for your letter clarifying the Department's availability for the hearing scheduled on Friday, 21 January 2022.

In relation to Minister Colbeck's appearance on 25 January 2022, the Minister himself nominated 25 January 2022 between 12.30pm and 2.30pm as the day and time he was willing to appear before the Committee.

The Committee organised an additional hearing to accommodate the Minister as his schedule clearly did not align with the Department's availability.

Witnesses appearing with the Minister are a matter for the Minister and the Committee has no view on this.

Thank you again for clarifying the Department's attendance this Friday. The Committee appreciates it.

Yours sincerely

Senator Katy Gallagher
Committee Chair