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Dear Mr Raine

I write in response to your email of 14 September 2022 to the Hon Natasha Fyles MLA and I, inviting a submission to the Inquiry into Atomic Energy Amendment (Mine Rehabilitation and Closure) Bill 2022 (Provisions).

The Northern Territory Government is the day to day regulator of the Ranger Uranium Mine, under the Northern Territory's *Mining Management Act 2001* (MMA). This legislation works in concert with the Australian Government's *Atomic Energy Act 1953* (Act).

In relation to the Atomic Energy Amendment (Mine Rehabilitation and Closure) Bill 2022, I understand that officers of the Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade have been in discussions with their counterparts from the Australian Government Department of Industry, Science and Resources, in the development of the amendments to enable rehabilitation activities at Ranger.

The Northern Territory Government supports the amendment to the Act as it provides a framework for the rehabilitation of the Ranger Uranium Mine site beyond 2026, allowing for the best possible remediation outcomes for the mine site, Traditional Owners and the Territory.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission to the inquiry.

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