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The Secretary  
Standing Committee on Science and Innovation  
House of Representatives  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Secretary

I write in response to the letter from Mr Petro Georgiou MP, Chair of the House of Representatives' Standing Committee on Science and Innovation, on 17 March 2005 to the ACT Chief Minister seeking submissions to the Committee's inquiry into pathways to innovation. As this matter falls within my portfolio of Economic Development and Business, the Chief Minister has asked me to respond to the Chair's letter. Accordingly, I have enclosed the ACT Government submission.

From an ACT perspective, the major focus in the submission is on our unique regional innovation system, centred around world-class research institutions and as the home of the Australian Government – Australia's largest procurer of good and services. The challenge for the ACT is to ensure that all stakeholders in the local knowledge economy are linked to enable growth of networks, investment and capabilities.

For further information about this submission please contact Mr Geoff Keogh, Executive Director, BusinessACT, Department of Economic Development, on (02) 6205 0596.

Yours sincerely



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