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Senator the Hon John Hogg President of the Senate Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Hogg

Performance Audit of the 'Building the Education Revolution' Program—Primary Schools for the 21st Century

I have decided to terminate the Preliminary Enquiry into the 'Building the Education Revolution' (BER) program and designate a performance audit under section 15 of the *Auditor-General Act 1997*.

The focus of the performance audit will be on the Primary Schools for the 21st Century element of the BER program. As such, the audit objective is to examine the effectiveness of the department's establishment of the Primary Schools for the 21st Century element of the BER program.

We plan to examine:

- arrangements for administering Primary Schools for the 21st Century (PS21) in accordance with government policy;
- the selection and approval of PS21 projects; and
- monitoring and reporting of PS21 projects' progress and the achievement of broader BER program outcomes.

The Australian National Audit Office anticipates that the audit will begin in early August 2009 when resources become available and be completed by early 2010.

Yours sincerely

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