### SENATE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## PUBLIC HEARING PROGRAM THURSDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2007

# Senate Committee Room 2S3 Parliament House CANBERRA

### Inquiry into the cost of living pressures on older Australians

#### 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm

### Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (Sub 138)

Mr Geoff Leeper, Deputy Secretary

Ms Robyn McKay, Acting Deputy Secretary

Dr Nicholas Hartland, Assistant Secretary, Seniors and Means Test Branch

### Australian Bureau of Statistics (Sub 43)

Mr Bob McColl, Acting First Assistant Statistician

Ms Merry Branson, Director, Consumer and House Price Indexes

### **Department of Health and Ageing**

Mr David Kalisch, Deputy Secretary

Mr Charles Maskell-Knight, Principal Adviser, Acute Care Division

Mr Lou Andreatta, Assistant Secretary, Primary Care Financing Branch, Primary Care Division

Mr Peter Broadhead, Assistant Secretary, Policy and Evaluation Branch, Ageing and Aged Care Division

### **Department of the Treasury**

Mr John Lonsdale, General Manager, Personal and Retirement Income Division

Mr Phil Gallagher, Manager, Retirement Income and Modelling Unit

### **Department of Veterans Affairs**

Ms Jeanette Ricketts, National Manager, Income Support and Aged Care Policy