

APPENDIX 2

Public Hearing

Tuesday, 28 April 2009

Parliament House, Canberra

Committee Members in attendance

Senator Claire Moore (Chair)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Deputy Chair)

Senator Catryna Bilyk

Senator Steve Fielding

Senator Mitch Fifield

Senator Gary Humphries

Witnesses

Carers Australia

Ms Joan Hughes, Chief Executive Officer

National Disability Services

Dr Ken Baker, Chief Executive

Carers Association Victoria, Palliative Care Victoria, Association of Children with a Disability (via teleconference)

Mr Gill Pierce, Program Manager, Policy and Research, Carers Association Victoria

Ms Sue Salau, Policy Officer, Palliative Care Victoria

Mrs Elizabeth McGarry, Chief Executive Officer, Association of Children with a Disability

Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Ms Lee Emerson, Branch Manager, Carers

Mr Steven Francis, Principal Legal Officer, Public Law Branch