



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Health and Ageing**

**SECRETARY**

The Secretary  
Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee  
PO Box 6100  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Ms McDonald,

Thank you for your invitation of 21 October 2008 to provide a written submission to the *Inquiry into residential and community aged care in Australia*. Please find attached a submission from the Department of Health and Ageing.

The contact in my Department for the inquiry is David Cullen, A/g Assistant Secretary, Policy and Evaluation Branch, Ageing and Aged Care Division who can be contacted by email at [david.cullen@health.gov.au](mailto:david.cullen@health.gov.au) or by phone on (02) 6289 5475 if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Halton', written over a faint, illegible typed name.

Jane Halton PSM  
Secretary

24 December 2008