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Dear Mr Jackson

As you may be aware, the NSW Government has now entered the caretaker period in the lead up to the State Election. I am therefore responding to your correspondence to the Minister for Family and Community Services concerning the Aboriginal Housing Company dispute at Redfern.


You raise a number of issues in your correspondence regarding the Pemulwuy project. Many of your concerns appear to relate to the nature of the approved development for the site.

I understand that the owner of the land sought planning approval for the project and that the NSW Minister for Planning approved the development in December of 2012 as the relevant planning authority for the site. The nature of the development does not fall within the Minister for Family and Community Services' portfolio and I would recommend that you contact the NSW Department of Planning and Environment with your concerns about this development. The Department can be contacted at: information@planning.nsw.gov.au.

I also note that you raise concerns regarding the governance of the company. As the Aboriginal Housing Company is a registered Corporation, these matters fall under the responsibility of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

I hope this information is of assistance. If you have any further enquiries about this issue, please contact Lacy Barron, Manager Centre for Affordable Housing 02 8753 8823.

Yours sincerely



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