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**Sent:** Thursday, 15 September 2005 11:33 AM  
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**Subject:** FW: Dr Buckland



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**From:** Damien Atkinson  
**Sent:** Thursday, 15 September 2005 11:13 AM  
**To:** 'simon.alroe@minterellison.com'  
**Subject:** Dr Buckland

Dear Simon,

Richard Douglas asks if Dr Buckland could address one more issue in his statement. A letter follows.

Can you let me know if that causes any problems?

Thanks,

Damien Atkinson

# Queensland Public Hospitals Commission of Inquiry

15 September 2005

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**Attention: Simon Alroe**

Dear Simon,

**Queensland Public Hospitals Commission of Inquiry  
Re: Dr Buckland**

I understand that you are preparing a statement from Dr Buckland in anticipation of him giving evidence on Monday, 19 September 2005.

As you may be aware, Dr Scott has addressed the issue of Measured Quality Reports in both paragraphs 8.7 to 8.9 of his written statement, and his oral evidence. Richard Douglas has asked me to communicate that he would be grateful if Dr Buckland would address the same issue in his statement.

In particular, it would be appreciated if Dr Buckland would set out his knowledge of:

- (a) The purpose of the Reports;
- (b) The process for creating the Reports;
- (c) How the Reports were distributed and used;
- (d) The extent to which Reports were sent to Cabinet and became "Cabinet confidential" (as suggested by Dr Scott).

Dr Buckland should also indicate his view as to whether:

- (a) The provision of Reports to Cabinet was a proper or optimal utilisation of the same;
- (b) He agrees with Dr Scott's opinion that the provision of the Reports to Cabinet "*had an undesirable effect from a management point of view because the documents ...were not able to be used to give feedback to the hospitals*".

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If, for some reason, it is not possible to deal with these matters in the written statement, I would be grateful if Dr Buckland was in a position to answer relevant questions during his testimony.

Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

**Damien Atkinson**