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Dear Mr Maclean

Thank you for your letter to the Secretary, DPC dated 7 February 2018. As Chair of the Victorian Secretaries Board Integrity and Corporate Reform Subcommittee (the Subcommittee), the Secretary has asked that I respond on his behalf.

Since the Secretary, DPC's letter to IBAC in December 2016, the Subcommittee has completed all items in the action plan. All items were delivered in accordance with the action plan, except for the Institute of Public Administration Australia's Integrity and Ethical Leadership Program, which was delayed by negotiations with the preferred provider.

In 2018, integrity related priorities for the Subcommittee will include:

- developing comprehensive guidance and standards to address vulnerabilities in VPS recruitment processes;
- regular engagement with VPS integrity body leaders; and
- monitoring declined offers of gifts, benefits and hospitality to identify high-level trends, particularly in relation to suppliers.

The Subcommittee continues to play an active role in coordinating integrity initiatives across government, and provides a useful forum for corporate Deputy Secretaries, and Deputy Commissioners of the Victorian Public Sector Commission and Victoria Police, to engage with relevant and emerging issues.

Yours sincerely

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