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Dear Mr Pearson

2015-16 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

I refer to your letter of 17 June 2015 seeking my response to a question on notice relating to my industrial relations portfolio. The question is:

Please indicate the terms of reference of the inquiry into insecure work and other elements of the labour hire industry in Victoria. In particular, please indicate whether the inquiry will consider matters such as the minimisation of workers' wages and conditions (for example, through firms requiring workers to provide their own ABNs and their own insurances and to pay their own superannuation).

In response, I indicate that I am in the process of determining the scope of the inquiry and its governance arrangements, including who will chair the inquiry. I am also consulting with relevant stakeholders as to the content of the terms of reference for the inquiry. Once those decisions have been made, I will publicly announce finalised terms of reference for the inquiry.

I will provide that information to the Committee as soon as available.

Yours sincerely

HON NATALIE HUTCHINS MP
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