## **Queensland Reconstruction Authority**

For reply please quote: - QRAOUT/22/4560

3 June 2022

Mr Grant Hehir Auditor-General Australian National Audit Office 38 Sydney Avenue FORREST ACT 2603

Dear Mr Hehir

I refer to a <u>Request for Audit</u> published on the Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) website in relation to Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements from Senator Malcolm Roberts.

The webpage record includes Senator Roberts' correspondence dated 28 October 2021 and your response dated 19 November 2021.

Senator Roberts' correspondence includes false statements and a request for you to confirm that, as CEO of the Queensland Reconstruction Authority, I attended Canberra to lobby against a call for a Senate Inquiry to investigate allegations of misuse of Disaster Relief monies by some allegedly corrupt councils in Queensland. It also alludes to a collusive relationship between myself and the CEO of the Local Government Association of Queensland that is also false.

Your response published on the webpage does not answer Senator Roberts' questions, but merely notes that the questions have been superseded by, and will be responded to through the established Senate Estimates process.

Your ultimate response to Supplementary Budget Estimates 2021-22 Question 188 correctly confirms that the ANAO has not met with me, however it is not published on your webpage, nor is there is a link to it. I also note that it requires some knowledge and considerable effort to find this response through the Parliament of Australia website.

I am concerned that your website publishes Senator Robert's false allegations regarding my actions without correction or meaningful response.

I request that you please rectify this as soon as possible through either removing or redacting Senator Robert's correspondence, or by publishing your Senate Estimate response within the record on your website.

I would appreciate being notified once this action has been undertaken.

Yours sincerely

Brendan Moon
Chief Executive Officer