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Dear Madam President and Madam Speaker

CORRUPTION AND CRIME COMMISSION – ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22

I am writing to you to inform you of the inability of the Corruption and Crime Commission (CCC) to meet the deadline for tabling of its Annual Report for 2021-22.

The CCC advised on 14 November 2022 that due to delays in the Office of the Auditor General completing the final audit of the CCC Annual Report 2021-22, the CCC planned to table its annual report on 1 December 2022. My office was subsequently advised by the CCC that it now anticipates tabling its annual report early in 2023.

I attach a copy of the CCC's correspondence dated 14 November 2022 for your information.

Yours sincerely

Hon. John Quigley MLA
ATTORNEY GENERAL; MINISTER FOR ELECTORAL AFFAIRS

Attached: CCC Letter to Attorney General advising of further delay in tabling
CCC Letter to Attorney General advising of delay in tabling
OAG Letter to CCC advising of delay in audit

30 November 2022

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Your reference:

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14 November 2022

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Dear Attorney General

Corruption and Crime Commission - Annual Report 2021-22

The Corruption and Crime Commission prepares its Annual Report in accordance with the *Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Act 2003* (the CCM Act) and the *Financial Management Act 2006* (the FMA Act). The Commission tables its annual report direct to the Parliament of Western Australia and not through the Minister.

As advised on the 27 April 2022, due to the expected finalisation of the Office of the Auditor General final audit on the 14 October 2022 the Commission's 2021-22 Annual Report is to be tabled on the 15 November 2022. However, the outcome of the final audit is ongoing and has a revised due date of later this month of November.

Subsequently, the Commission's 2021-22 Annual Report tabling date will need to be rescheduled with a proposed target date 1 December 2022. Further, in accordance with the CCM Act and the FMA Act require the Minister to inform both Houses of Parliament of the inability to meet these reporting deadlines.

Yours sincerely



John McKechnie, KC
Commissioner

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Dear Attorney General

Corruption and Crime Commission Annual Report 2021-22

The Corruption and Crime Commission prepares its annual report in accordance with the *Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Act 2003* (the CCM Act) and the *Financial Management Act 2006* (the FMA Act). The Commission tables its annual report direct to the Parliament of Western Australia and not through the Minister.

The Commission's 2021-22 Annual Report will not be prepared in time for tabling by the last sitting date within 90 days of the end of the financial year (22 September 2022). It is expected that the Office of the Auditor General will finalise its final audit on 14 October 2022 and issue its audit opinion on the Commission's annual financial statements and key performance indicators no later than 31 October 2022.

Furthermore, the CCM Act s 91 requires the Commission to prepare a report as to its general activities and for this to be laid before each House of Parliament by 21 October 2022. The CCM Act and FMA Act require the Minister to inform both Houses of Parliament of the inability to meet these reporting deadlines. Once finalised, the Commission's 2021-22 Annual Report will be tabled in Parliament on the next available sitting day (target date is 15 November 2022).

Yours sincerely



John McKechnie QC
Commissioner

Attached: OAG Letter Regarding Deferral of Audit

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Dear Commissioner

2021-22 FINANCIAL AUDIT COMPLETION TIMEFRAME

The Office of the Auditor General aims to deliver audit opinions in time for State government entities to table their annual report within 90 days of the end of the financial year as required by the *Financial Management Act 2006*.

This year we will not be in a position to deliver your opinion in time for you to table your annual report within this timeframe. Labour shortages in the professional audit and accounting sector have significantly affected our resource levels and those of our contract audit firms

As a result, our limited resources are focussed on delivering the Annual Report on State Finances audit opinion and auditing the entities that make up the majority of the balances in this report.

This prioritisation is crucial to meet the statutory timeframe for finalising the Annual Report on State Finances in late September, a process essential to providing confidence to buyers and holders of government bonds that Western Australia remains a well-governed jurisdiction.

We aim to finalise your audit and issue your opinion as soon as practicable, at this stage we expect that to be no later than 31 October 2022.

You will need to advise your Minister of this delay as they are required under section 65 of the *Financial Management Act 2006* to inform both Houses of Parliament if an annual report and opinion cannot be tabled on time, the reason why and an anticipated tabling date. You may wish to attach a copy of this letter to your submission to the Minister.

We do regret our inability to provide your audit opinion prior to the end of September, as it has flow-on consequences for us all, and we thank you for your understanding.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please contact me on 6557 7526 or Chiara Galbraith, Assistant Director on 6557 7635.

Yours sincerely

Grant Robinson
Acting Deputy Auditor General
22 April 2022