



**Australian
Human Rights
Commission**

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Dear Mr Pratt,

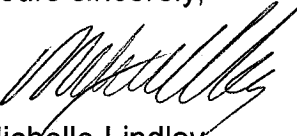
Temporary exemption – Business Services Wage Assessment Tool

I refer to the application for temporary exemption under section 55 of the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (DDA) of 22 April 2015, the Interim Application. The Commission understands the Commonwealth is seeking an exemption on its own behalf and on behalf of all ADEs still using the Business Services Wages Assessment Tool.

Please provide evidence of the Commonwealth's authority to make this application on behalf of all ADEs using BSWAT, by 11 January 2016.

In the absence of evidence of this authority, the Commission will proceed to consider the Interim Application as one made by the Commonwealth on its behalf only.

Yours sincerely,



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