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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to the Agriculture and Environment Committee Report No. 42, Consideration of the Auditor-General's Report 12: 2016-17 *Biosecurity Queensland's management of agricultural pests and diseases* which was tabled on 30 August 2017.

As the Government is currently in caretaker mode, the Government is unable to provide a substantive response to the Committee's report at this time. Therefore under section 107(5)(a) of the *Parliament of Queensland Act 2001*, I am providing this letter as an interim response to the Committee's report.

In accordance with section 59A of the *Parliament of Queensland Act 2001* and Standing Order 31, I request that this document be tabled during the period that the Legislative Assembly is dissolved.

Yours sincerely



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