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Minister for Tourism and Fair Trading

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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 17 September 2009 enclosing petition number 1284-09 sponsored by Mr Andrew Powell MP, Member for Glass House, regarding consultation on amendments to the *Manufactured Homes (Residential Parks) Act 2003*.

I note the 119 petitioners have sought additional consultation with manufactured home residents and residential park owners regarding potential amendments to the Act.

A detailed review has been undertaken regarding the operation of the Act. The review was informed by an extensive consultation process involving a public discussion paper and survey (which attracted over 670 responses), as well as targeted roundtable consultation conferences conducted by the Office of Fair Trading with representatives of manufactured home owners and residential park owners. A draft amendment Bill is currently being prepared to implement a number of consumer protection initiatives arising from the review.

I am pleased to confirm further consultation will be undertaken regarding possible amendments to the Act. Once a consultation draft of the amendment Bill has been finalised, I intend to provide manufactured home owners, residential park operators, and other interested members of the community with an opportunity to review and comment on the possible amendments.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the petition.

Yours sincerely

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