

Access to Company Registers and Related Issues Corporations and Financial Services Division The Treasury Langton Crescent PARKES ACT 2600 Email: accesstoregisters@treasury.gov.au

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Dear Sir

PROPOSAL PAPER: ACCESS TO COMPANY REGISTERS AND RELATED ISSUES

Grant Thornton Australia is pleased to provide the Australian Government with its comments on the "Proposals paper: Access to company registers and related issues".

Grant Thornton Australia's response reflects our position as auditors and business advisers to listed and privately held companies, and other businesses.

This submission has benefited with input from our clients, and discussions with key constituents.

Grant Thornton Australia supports the proposals and believes that it balances concerns about any misuse of information with ensuring legitimate reasons for access with the proper purpose test. We are not aware of any unintended consequences from the proposals

If you require any further information or comment, please contact me.

Yours sincerely GRANT THORNTON AUSTRALIA LIMITED

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