



Australian Government
Department of Social Services

Finn Pratt PSM
Secretary

The Hon Susan Ryan AO
Age and Disability Discrimination Commissioner
Australian Human Rights Commission
GPO Box 5218
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Ms Ryan *Susan*

On 21 April 2015 I wrote to you, seeking your consideration of an application for a temporary s55 exemption under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (Cth) (the Act).

Further to that request, I seek your consideration of an interim exemption from sections 15, 24 and 29 of the Act for the period between the expiry of the existing exemption on 29 April 2015, and the date on which the Commission publishes its determination in relation to the application sent to you on 21 April 2015.

The basis on which this interim exemption is sought is set out in the temporary exemption application submitted to you on that date.

Should you or your officers require further information in relation to this matter, my contact officer is Warren Pearson, Branch Manager, BSWAT Employment Response Team, on 02 6146 5720, or warren.pearson@dss.gov.au.

I appreciate your consideration of this important issue.

Yours sincerely

Finn Pratt

22 April 2015