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Hi Peter,

Thank you for your green paper.

My feedback remains consistent with what was discussed at Liverpool when you met with Stakeholders over 8 months ago, i.e. your productivity reports could be enhanced by adding an assessment and objectives around 3 additional areas:

1. We need a focus on **“team government”** as the business community is inefficiently served by the 3 levels of Government (including multiple departments) with about 70 to 80% of businesses not be appraised of Government services and support available to them.
2. **Smart cities** investments in the collection and free sharing of **big data** needs clear consistent Government leadership and policies need to seamlessly cut across: all levels of Government; between councils and all departments
3. Governments of all levels could significantly improve their **“procurement”** practices to better consider the sovereign value (& improved risk appetite) of supporting local innovative Australian manufacturers and better consider the **full life cycle** (cradle to grave) impact of their purchases with a much better weighting beyond an immediate cheap (sic) price. This would also reduce waste thus improving productivity.

Best regards

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Good Afternoon,

I am writing to remind you to provide your feedback on the draft recommendations in the NSW Productivity Commission [Continuing the Productivity Conversation](#) Green Paper by Friday 18 September, 2020.

Like the rest of Australia, NSW will need to look to lift productivity to grow its way out of the economic downturn created by the COVID-19 pandemic. The way people, businesses and regulators have pivoted to keep NSW going in this difficult time should be an inspiration to everyone, but there is much more to be done.

NSW can seize opportunities to reform in the areas of technological disruption, education, environmental change and planning, among many others.

The Green Paper includes a suite of draft recommendations with potential to boost NSW productivity:

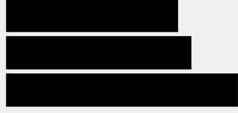
- Improving our schools' ability to provide the education that the people of New South Wales need to reach their potential
- Ensuring we invest in the right workplace skills for a globally competitive and adaptive workforce
- Regulating in ways that support innovation and competition
- Ensuring reliable, sustainable and productive supply and use of our water and energy resources
- Gaining more from our infrastructure
- Planning for the housing we want and the jobs we need and
- Modernising our tax system to help our economy grow.

I am keen to receive your feedback on the draft recommendations at productivity.nsw.gov.au/green-paper. Feedback will be reviewed by the Commission before finalising recommendations for consideration by the NSW Government.

Thank you for contribution to the productivity reform conversation to date.

Sincerely,

Peter Achterstraat



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