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Statement

**Special Report by the Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment - “Close to
the Edge” An investigation into the effects of urban expansion on the environment
of the ACT**

**Presented by
Suzanne Orr MLA
Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water
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I present to the Assembly, in accordance with my statutory obligations under the *Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment Act 1993* (the Act), a special report from an investigation that has been given to me by the Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment.

The special report was prepared by the former Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment, Dr Sophie Lewis under the Act. The special report represents the outcomes of a self-initiated investigation into the effects of urban expansion on the environment of the ACT.

The Government will now take the necessary time to consider this report.

I present the Special Report to the Assembly.

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