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Select Committee on Estimates 2015-16
Legislative Assembly for the ACT
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**ACT AUDIT OFFICE CORRECTION TO ESTIMATES 2015-16 STATEMENT CONTENT**

Dear Mr Smyth

I am writing to advise the Committee of corrections to the Select Committee on Estimates statement content from the ACT Audit Office's session on Friday 19 June 2015 from 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

I have reviewed the transcript from the session and I have identified two errors in the statements – one on page 654 and one on page 655.

At page 654, I stated that the cost of the Health Directorate Data Integrity performance audit as being 'somewhere in the vicinity of \$140,000'. The total cost, including staffing costs and contractor costs, incurred to-date is approximately \$192,300. However, the final cost is yet to be determined as not all tasks and activities have been completed and invoices are yet to be paid to contractors. The final cost of the audit is estimated to be around \$216,000.

At page 655, I stated that the Audit Office had not undertaken any 'follow-the-dollar' audits, i.e. audits undertaken by virtue of section 13C or 13D of the *Auditor-General Act 1996*. This power is being used in undertaking a performance audit in relation to Calvary Public Hospital financial and performance reporting and management. However, the Integrity of Data in the Health Directorate audit that was tabled on 19 June 2015 considered activities of both the Health Directorate and the Calvary Public Hospital. It was conducted by virtue of section 12 of the *Auditor-General Act 1996*, and was undertaken with the agreement and cooperation of the Calvary Public Hospital.

Please contact me on 6207 0833 if you wish to discuss the corrections.

Yours sincerely



Dr Maxine Cooper
Auditor-General
29 June 2015