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Mr Michael Hogan Deputy Director-General Disability and Community Care Services and Multicultural Affairs GPO Box 806 Brisbane OLD 4001

## Dear Mr Hogan

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the draft 10-year plan for supporting Queenslanders with a disability.

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ) supports the objectives and strategies outlined in the draft plan. We strongly believe people with a disability can and do make a valuable contribution to Queensland workplaces and therefore achieving a fairer and more inclusive community is strongly aligned with business and economic growth.

CCIQ continues to encourage and support Queensland employers to develop diverse and inclusive workplaces which include employing people with a disability. Accordingly CCIQ has developed a relationship with the Australian Employers Network on Disability to support workplaces adapt to the needs of people with disabilities. CCIQ has also developed a variety of resources aimed at promoting greater disability employment (examples attached for your information).

We welcome the opportunity to work in partnership with the Queensland Government and the Department of Communities towards achieving a fairer and inclusive Queensland

Kind Regards

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