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FOLLOW UP OF THE AUDITOR-GENERAL'S 2013 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORTS

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Dear Mr O'Dea

I refer to your letter dated 22 May 2014 concerning repeat recommendations of the Auditor-General's 2013 Financial Audits.

I can confirm that the Department has accepted the Auditor-General's recommendation in respect of accounting for Works-in-Kind, which are those assets provided to the State by developers.

In addition, I can confirm that actions have been undertaken in respect of the recommendation. Specifically, the departmental Finance team has developed an accounting policy in respect of these amounts and performs monthly reconciliations of the Works-in-Kind balances received. As part of the FY14 early close procedures performed by the Department, the Director of Financial Audit Services from the Audit Office acknowledged progress against implementation of the above recommendation.

Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Director of Finance, Department of Planning and Environment to assist you. He can be contacted on telephone number

Yours sincerely



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