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PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO. 2 - HEALTH

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To: Commonwealth Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, the Hon. Catherine King MP
New South Wales Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health and Minister for Mental Health, the Hon. Bronnie Taylor MLC
Cr Tom Kennedy, Mayor, Broken Hill City Council

Via email

Dear Minister King, Minister Taylor and Cr Kennedy,

Inquiry into health outcomes and access to health and hospital services in rural, regional and remote New South Wales

As you are aware, NSW Legislative Council Portfolio Committee No. 2 - Health recently handed down its report into health outcomes and access to health and hospital services in rural, regional and remote New South Wales.

The committee has received correspondence from Mr Roy Butler MP, state member for Barwon, regarding the deteriorating condition of the taxiway and apron surfaces at Broken Hill Airport. As you would be aware, Broken Hill Airport is a base for and supports the operations of the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia, which provides vital medical and health related services for residents of rural, regional and remote New South Wales. Any interruption of their emergency and other services would be detrimental to many outback communities.

The committee has resolved that I forward Mr Butler's correspondence to you, and encourage you to work together expeditiously to resolve this important matter as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter. If you would like to discuss the matter raised in this letter further, please contact Sharon Ohnesorge, Director – Committees, on (02) 9230 3389.

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Greg Donnelly MLC
Chair