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**CHILD SAFETY COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO THE CHILD SAFETY
SYSTEM
STATE OF QUEENSLAND**

FURTHER STATEMENT OF BERNADETTE HARVEY

I, **Bernadette Harvey**, of care of Crown Law, Level 11, 50 Ann Street, Brisbane, a Acting Deputy Director-General, Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety (**the Department**) in the State of Queensland state as follows:

1. On 3 September 2025, I made a proactive statement (Proactive Statement No.5) outlining the out-of-home carer system in Queensland (**my earlier statement**).
2. I am making this statement to address and correct an error identified in paragraph 22 of my earlier statement.
3. Paragraph 22 of my earlier statement stated:

OSD and fee-for-service funded arrangements have different procurement and contracting processes however, both arrangements are guided by two investment specifications:

- a) *Child Protection (Placement Services) Investment Specification (Version: 2.4 Date: Effective August 2025); and*
- b) *Family Based Care Services Investment Specification (Version 2 Date: March 2024).*

4. For completeness, paragraph 23 of my earlier statement stated:

These investment specifications outline the priorities, objectives, requirements and performance expectations for programs or initiatives, ensuring that investments are targeted effectively to support the safety and wellbeing of children in care. They also help align service delivery with legislative requirements, departmental strategies, and evidence-based practices.

5. After signing my earlier statement, I determined that paragraph 22 required correction.
6. Paragraph 22 should have stated:

OSD and fee-for-service funded arrangements have different procurement and contracting processes. OSD funded arrangements are guided by two investment specifications:

- a) *Child Protection (Placement Services) Investment Specification (Version: 2.4 Date: Effective August 2025); and*
- b) *Family Based Care Services Investment Specification (Version 2 Date: March 2024).*

I make this statement of my own free will believing its contents to be true and correct.

Dated at Brisbane this 22nd day of October 2025.

