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Dear Professor Robson

Five Pillars: Interim report submission

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Western Australia (CCIWA) is the peak body advancing trade and commerce in Western Australia. Our membership cuts right across the WA economy, from small and family enterprises to ASX 200 listed companies.

We are fundamentally committed to using our insights to develop and advocate for public policies that will help realise our vision to make Western Australia the best place to live and do business.

We welcome the opportunity to contribute to the 'Five Pillars' inquiries focused on economic resilience, skilled and adaptable workforces, harnessing data and digital technology, delivering quality care more efficiently, and investing in cheaper, cleaner energy as part of the net zero transformation. These issues are not new to CCIWA, nor Western Australia. Our economy is isolated, highly export focused, highly trade exposed, and the engine room of the Nation's economy. The productive power of our businesses and industries will determine our State and Nation's success going forward.

To this end, we are undertaking meaningful engagement with our members, and the broader business community, to identify barriers to productivity and competition for each of the five inquiries. As a result of this process, fulsome feedback will not be provided at this time, however, we will provide detailed submissions in response to the Interim Reports later this year.

Should you wish to discuss the content of this letter further, please do not hesitate to contact Aaron Morey, CCIWA Chief Economist, Director Membership, Campaigns, Strategy, via email at <u>aaron.morey@cciwa.com</u>.

Yours sincerely

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