

Ms Carmel Donnelly PSM Chair Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal PO Box K35 Haymarket Post Shop NSW 1240 DGS23/1411

Carmel.donnelly@ipart.nsw.gov.au

**Dear Ms Donnelly** 

## Interim Report for Review of Early Childhood Education and Care – request for extension

Thank you for your letter of 9 August 2023 seeking an extension of time to provide the Interim Report for the review of affordability, accessibility and consumer choice in the NSW early childhood education and care sector.

I understand that the Terms of Reference require the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) to provide an Interim Report by August 2023.

I acknowledge that IPART seeks to undertake further data validation and more disaggregated analysis to be able to provide more meaningful and in-depth analysis of the sector, costs and prices, and conduct additional stakeholder engagement to test draft recommendations with the sector.

In light of this, I confirm that an extension of time to provide the Interim Report is approved, until 5.00pm on Tuesday 20 October 2023.

Yours sincerely

Murat Dizdar **SECRETARY** 

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION** 

15 August 2023