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Dear Ms Gustin,

The Premier has asked me to thank you for your interest in registering for the New South Wales Consultative Committee on Ageing.

The response to the invitation to register was tremendous with 176 people registering. Further, the quality and depth of the experience and skills of the applicants was very high. This reflects both the obvious personal resources of older people and the skills and commitment of those working with other people. Unfortunately you were not selected for appointment to the Committee but it is hoped that you will maintain your interest in the work of the Committee as it seeks to advise the Government on issues of concern to older people.

Enclosed, for your information is a list of those appointed by the Premier to the Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Gillian McFee,
Director,
Office of Aged Services.

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BACKGROUND TO MEMBERS OF THE NEW SOUTH WALES
CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON AGEING

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1. Mr David Chesterman

Mr Chesterman is a practising architect and town planner and chairperson of a large Sydney practice. He has broad range of experience in working with government at a senior level on issues relevant for this Committee. He has broad knowledge of housing and health issues and has the ability to bring an industry perspective to the Committee.

2. Mrs Kate Campbell

Mrs Campbell is Principal of the Mosman Evening College and is Chairperson of the N.S.W. Branch of the Australian Association of Adult Education. She has many years experience in the field of adult education and at the Mosman Evening College has worked to extend the availability of leisure and learning activities for older people, particularly women.

3. Mr Peter Einspinner

Mr Einspinner is Vice Chairperson of the N.S.W. Ethnic Communities Council and recently retired Head, Department of Social Studies, School of Business and Administrative Studies (T.A.F.E.). He has very broad experience with a number of issues to be considered by the Committee and has particular expertise in the areas of aged discrimination and the needs of older migrants.

4. Mrs Ida Ellis

Mrs Ellis is a registered nurse with 28 years of experience in gerontological and community care. Through this experience she has gained a sound understanding of the operation of health and H.A.C.C. services. She has also demonstrated a strong commitment to the principles of consumer protection and user rights.

5. Ms Sue Jones

Ms Jones is a Policy Officer with the N.S.W. Council on the Ageing. She has demonstrated both an understanding of public policy issues affecting older people and an affinity with older people themselves. Her main areas of expertise are aged discrimination, transport and community services.

6. Ms Norah McGuire

Ms McGuire is Secretary of the Combined Pensioners' Association of N.S.W. In this position she has played an important role in advocating the needs of older persons particularly in the areas of housing, finance and income support, and community services.

7. Mr John Roarty

Mr Roarty is member of Disabled Peoples International (N.S.W.) and is a well known advocate for people with all types of disabilities. He is author of the book "Captives of Care" and has special experience in the areas of consumer protection and user rights. He is also involved in his regional H.A.C.C. Committee and has a sound knowledge of issues relating to health and community services.

8. Dr Cherry Russell

Dr Russell is a Lecturer and Co-ordinator in Gerontology and Community Health at Cumberland College of Health Sciences. As an academic she has closely examined society's attitude to and images of ageing and contrasted these with perceptions and aspirations of older people themselves. Her recent research particularly looks at the images of older women created by the popular media and the negative impact of these for society and older women.

9. Dr John Ward

Dr Ward is the Director, Aged Care Services of the Eastern Health Area. He has wide experience in the health needs of older people and has particular interest in developing health promotion programs and integrated health care and accommodation services in order to reduce the complications of unnecessary hospitalisation of older people.

10. Mr Joe Weston

Mr Weston is the secretary of the N.S.W. Retired Teachers Association and was the foundation secretary of the Council of Senior Citizens Associations. In his positions he has worked as an advocate for older people on the issues of transport, housing and discrimination. He has a broad understanding of the needs and concerns of older people and possesses considerable skill in advocating on their behalf.

11. Mr Ian Wilson

Mr Wilson is the General Manager, Senior Adult Service, Wesley Central Mission. In this position he is involved on a day-to-day basis with a wide range of issues relating to older people. Mr Wilson is also Vice President of the Voluntary Care Association of N.S.W. and A.C.T., a peak body representing voluntary residential care providers. He has broad experience in the issues of housing, leisure and learning, and health.

12. Ms Jean Hall

Ms Hall has recently retired as Executive Officer of Aged Concern in Albury. Through this experience she has gained a sound understanding of the unique needs of the rural aged and the special problems of providing services in outlying areas.