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Dear Ms Scott

LEASE REGISTER

As you are aware, in September 2010 the Department of Commerce released a Position Paper outlining a proposal to introduce lease register requirements into the *Commercial Tenancy (Retail Shops) Agreements Act 1985* (the Act). The proposal would require landlords in retail shopping centres to maintain a register of relevant lease details for all retail shops in those shopping centres. This proposal was a response to the Government's commitment to consider options for creating a lease register for retail shops.

Analysis of the submissions received in response to the paper has identified that, while a number of stakeholders support the concept of increasing the accessibility of lease information, there was limited support for the model proposed in the Position Paper.

At this stage, the Government has requested the Department to examine further options for improving access to lease information, including a publicly accessible electronic database of lease information. The Department will consult with stakeholders in relation to any revised proposal.

As you may be aware, the Government recently introduced separate Bills to amend the Act and to establish a Small Business Commissioner. The Bills and Explanatory Memoranda are available from the State Parliament website.

Yours sincerely

Brian Bradley
DIRECTOR GENERAL



**Minister for Finance; Commerce; Small Business
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Dear Mr Moon

RE: Proposed National Business Names Registration System

The Minister for Finance; Commerce; Small Business, the Hon Simon O'Brien MLC has asked me to thank you for your letter of 8 April 2011.

Your correspondence is currently under consideration. If you need to contact us concerning this matter, please quote the reference number above so that we can direct your enquiry to the appropriate person.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yvette Roper'.

Yvette Roper
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