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Her Honour Judge Coate
State Coroner
Coroners Court of Victoria
Level 1/436 Lonsdale Street
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Dear Judge Coate

CORONIAL INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF MRS LEONIE BEDGGOOD

Your office has provided me with a copy of the finding without an inquest including a recommendation made by Coroner Tim McDonald into the death of Mrs Leonie Bedggood, who died from hypovolaemic shock secondary to multi-trauma resulting from a motor vehicle accident on 18 December 2008.

As Minister responsible for administering the *Coroners Act 2008*, I have noted the findings and recommendation.

I note that Coroner McDonald has directed his recommendation to VicRoads and the Department of Transport. I also note that a copy of the findings and recommendation have been distributed to the Hon Terry Mulder MP, Minister for Roads, for his consideration.

My Department has consulted VicRoads to determine what action has been taken in relation to Coroner McDonald's recommendation. VicRoads has advised that it is reviewing standards applied to unregistered trailers (including fruit bin trailers), and will consult with relevant stakeholders such as the Victorian Farmers Federation. The Review will be completed by December 2011.

Thank you for bringing this important matter to my attention.

Yours sincerely

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Attorney-General

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