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Our Ref:

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Dear

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Formal Access Application - Notice of Decision

I refer to your access application lodged with the Department of Communities and Justice (the Department) pursuant to section 41 of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* (GIPA Act), which was considered valid as at 7 October 2020.

Your application

On 12 October 2020, you confirmed that you are requesting access to a copy of the following information:

- *The number of Aboriginal applicants that are currently listed on the housing waiting list for the entire state of NSW, and separately for the CS1 allocation zone.*

Section 53 of the GIPA Act requires that reasonable searches be conducted to identify the government information held by the Department that falls within the scope of an access application.

I confirm that I liaised with the Family and Community Services Insights, Analysis and Research Unit (FACSIAR) to identify the information requested in your access application. FACSIAR were able to source and extract the relevant data from the Department's Enterprise Data Warehouse and the Department's tenancy management database (HOMES) to provide information responsive to your access application.

Access decision

I am authorised pursuant to section 9(3) of the GIPA Act to make a decision in response to a formal access application. I have carefully considered your request in view of the objects of the GIPA Act where you have a legally enforceable right to obtain information, unless there is an overriding public interest against disclosure of the subject information.

I have decided pursuant to section 58(1)(a) of the GIPA Act to provide access to the information that falls within the scope of the request. The information is attached at the end of this notice at 'Attachment A'.

Review Rights

If you are aggrieved by any of the reviewable decisions in this notice of decision, you may seek a review under Part 5 of the GIPA Act, by requesting any one of the following:

- An internal review that must be lodged with Open Government, Information and Privacy within 20 working days of this notice of decision. You must lodge your internal review at the address shown at the top of the first page and must be accompanied by the appropriate application fee of \$40.
- Alternatively, a request for an external review may be lodged with either the Information and Privacy Commission, or the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal. Please note that you must lodge your request for an external review within 8 weeks of this notice of decision.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact me at peter.bazzo@faci.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Peter Bazzo

Peter Bazzo
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Open Government, Information and Privacy
Department of Communities and Justice

Attachment A

The number of Aboriginal applicants that are currently listed on the housing waiting list for the entire state of NSW, and separately for the CS1 allocation zone.

	NSW	CS1 allocation zone
The number of Aboriginal applicants that are currently listed on the housing waiting list	6221	142

- **Information current as 30 September 2020.**
- **The above numbers reflect the Aboriginality of the main applicant.**