



# Fiji Higher Education Commission

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21 May 2018

The Chairperson  
Public Accounts Committee  
P O Box 2352  
Government Buildings  
**SUVA**

Dear Sir,

**Re: Clarification of Issues – 2015 Audit Report on State-Owned Entities & Statutory Authorities**

We write to respond against the issues mentioned in your letter dated 16 May 2018 with regards to above mentioned subject as per below:

**Section 6.2**

The Commission has put in place Monitoring & Evaluation Framework (M&E Framework) to ensure that this issue is addressed. The M&E Framework ensures that all institutions must submit their application fee together with their application for either Recognition, Registration or Review before the Commission can process their application, this ensures that all fees due are collected before the process occurs.

**Section 6.1.15**

The Commission has approved and implemented Financial Operations policy in October 2017. The implementation of this does not only address the issues identified but strengthens the overall internal control and transparency of the Commission. This policy is enforced strictly under the new leadership of the Commission.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of stylized, overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

**Mrs Linda Aumua**  
**Director**