## CENSUS AND STATISTICS ACT 1905 - section 13

STATEMENT NO. 1 OF 2013 BY AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS

## LISTS OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROVIDERS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH, STATE AND TERRITORY EDUCATION DEPARTMENTS

- 1. In accordance with the provisions of Clause 6 of the Statistics Determination 1983 made under Section 13 of the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*, I intend to disclose a list of jurisdiction specific, early childhood education businesses taken from the National Early Child Education and Care Collection to the:
  - Australian Government Department of Education, Employment & Workplace Relations:
  - New South Wales Government Department of Education and Communities;
  - Victoria Government Department of Education and Early Childhood Development
  - Queensland Government Department of Education, Training and Employment;
  - South Australia Government Department for Education and Child Development
  - Western Australia Government Department of Education;
  - Tasmania Government Department of Education;
  - Australian Capital Territory Education and Training Directorate; and
  - Northern Territory Government Department of Education and Children's Services.
- 2. The lists will be used by the above listed organisations in quality improvement initiatives relating to early childhood education business characteristics and associated metadata within their respective jurisdictional administrative collections. This will assist in improving the quality of early childhood education statistics for Australia.
- 3. All Australian governments have committed to improving the supply of early child education services. This will be achieved through the universal access commitment to provide access to a quality early childhood education program for all children by mid2013. A national collection based on administrative data provided by jurisdictions was developed to produce nationally consistent and comprehensive data on National Early Child Education and Care.
- 4. Currently early childhood businesses on the Australian Bureau of Statistics list are registered with either Commonwealth, state or territory authorities. Service providers not licensed/registered with the relevant Commonwealth or state or territory authority are not available.
- 5. The jurisdiction specific information to be released in respect of the early childhood education businesses will be:
  - organisation name (including trading name);
  - geographical address (including geographical code);
  - management type classification (the type of legal entity represented by a code as defined by the Early Childhood Education and Care 2012 National Minimum Data Set); and
  - service activity type classification.
- 6. The jurisdictions have provided me with written undertakings that they will
  - a. use the list specified in the Schedule to this undertaking only for the purpose of

- conducting the improvement of the quality of early childhood education service provider information, which does not involve the enforcing of any obligation or liability applicable under any enactment,
- b. not release the list or any part of the list either directly or indirectly, to another person outside of their respective departments;
- c. in the event that the list is used by the jurisdictions to undertake a survey, clearance from the Australian Bureau of Statistics will be sought, and
- d. comply with such other conditions specified in the undertakings with respect to the disclosure of the information.

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