

The Hon. Nicola Roxon MP
Minister for Health and Ageing
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister,

I am pleased to present to you the annual report of the National Blood Authority and the National Blood Authority Board for the financial year ending 30 June 2008, as required under sub-sections 44(1) and 44(2) of the *National Blood Authority Act 2003*.

This annual report details the National Blood Authority's performance against the Agency Outcomes and Output Groups of the *Health and Ageing Portfolio Budget Statements 2007–08*.

This document has been prepared in accordance with the guidelines approved by the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit referred to in sub-sections 63(2) and 70(2) of the *Public Service Act 1999*. These guidelines are applied as a matter of policy to prescribed agencies, including the National Blood Authority, under section 5 of the *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997*.

Sub-section 44(3) of the *National Blood Authority Act 2003* requires you to present this report to each House of Parliament within 15 sitting days of that House after the day you are presented with the report.

Yours sincerely



Dr Alison Turner
General Manager and CEO
National Blood Authority
10 October 2008