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Mr R G Bentley
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Dear Mr Bentley ^{Bob}

Thank you for your previous correspondence and discussions about the establishment of one racing control body to administer the three codes of racing in Queensland.

I am pleased to advise that the harness control body has agreed to the amalgamation of the existing racing control bodies into a single control body with responsibility for the administration of the three existing codes of racing.

Accordingly, I intend to proceed with the amalgamation of the control bodies by introducing legislation into Parliament in the near future to amend the *Racing Act 2002* and establish one control body to manage the thoroughbred, harness and greyhound codes of racing.

The significant capital development funding that the Government has made available will be utilised by this new control body to progress a range of capital works within the thoroughbred, harness and greyhound codes.

Officers of my department will be in contact with you to progress the necessary administrative actions required to ensure a smooth transition to the new control body structure.

Thank you for providing your views on this significant Government initiative and I look forward to us working together under the new arrangements for the benefit of the thoroughbred, harness and greyhound codes.

Yours sincerely

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