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Dear Ms Woods,

I am writing to you regarding the stamp duty arrangements for motorcycles and scooters sold in the ACT. At present duty for new motorcycles and scooters is paid on the purchase price at a rate equivalent to category 'C' of the Vehicle Emission Reduction Scheme.

The ACT Government recognises that the environmental performance of motorcycles and scooters compares favourably to light vehicles, and we have been working to better include them in the Vehicle Emission Reduction Scheme.

Starting from 1 July 2016, all new motorcycles and scooters will pay duty equivalent to category 'B' of the Vehicle Emission Reduction Scheme. This initiative improves the affordability of purchasing a new motorcycle or scooter, and will assist in reducing congestion and emissions.

Work to facilitate this, including a change to the Taxation Administration (Amounts Payable—Motor Vehicle Duty) Determination 2015 (No 1), is currently underway. The online brochure for the Vehicle Emission Reduction Scheme will also be updated to reflect the change.

In addition to these stamp duty changes, from 1 July 2016, up to three motorcycles and scooters can park in a single car parking space providing each rider pays the applicable parking fee. This 1 year trial will support the free dedicated motorcycle parking already available at high demand locations across Canberra.

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More information about both of these motorcycle initiatives can be found on the Access Canberra website www.act.gov.au/accessCBR.

I trust that this information will be of some assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



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