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Parliamentary Entitlements Review Committee  
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Dear Madam Chair,

I refer to your letter dated 8 October 2009 regarding an invitation to the Australian Greens to provide a submission to the Parliamentary Entitlements Review Committee.

The Greens have been calling for the establishment of an independent arbiter to govern the entitlements of federal parliamentarians and submit that this should be the primary recommendation of your review.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Senator Bob Brown  
Leader of the Australian Greens