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To Whom it May Concern

Re.: Healthcare Services Architecture Standards Project

HL7 Australia is pleased to advise its support for the Healthcare Services Architecture standardization effort occurring in both Health Level Seven and the Object Management Group.

This year our national EHR project, Health*Connect*, will commence the roll out of EHR capabilities in Australia. HL7 Australia has an important role to play in supporting these implementations through the health informatics community to define implementable interface standards capable of supporting agreed-upon services specifications.

To this end HL7 Australia has been an active participant in the informal group, the Services Birds-of-a-Feather (Services BOF), which has played an important role in promoting the need for health care services architecture standards within HL7.

We are keen to see the project deliverables made available to the HL7 community within the next twelve months and encourage the Board of HL7 to support the project proposal.

For its part HL7 Australia will play an active role in participating in the work of the project through its members. Specifically we nominate Mr Heath Frankel and Dr David Rowed as our representatives on the project (see contact details below).

Through them, HL7 Australia will in the first place provide exemplar use-cases that will serve to identify immediate priority services for development work.

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HL7 Australia is happy to grant the project organizers and HL7 permission to reference our commitment as part of their efforts to bring this work through to a successful completion.

Yours sincerely

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