ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JOBS, ENTERPRISE AND INNOVATION FOR 2014/2015

IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 22 OF THE PROTECTED DISCLOSURES ACT 2014

Each public body is required under Section 22 of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 to publish an annual report setting out the number of protected disclosures received in the preceding year and the action taken (if any). This report must not result in persons making disclosures being identifiable.

This is the first annual report of the Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation. It covers the period 1 July 2014 to 31 December 2015.

There were three protected disclosures made to the Minister/Department in the period covered by this report. Two of these disclosures were from employees of the Department and its Offices and related to the business of the Department and its Offices.

One of the matters disclosed related to an issue that was already the subject of a review by an independent professional third party. This review is ongoing at the date of this report. The second matter was also investigated using the services of an independent professional third party. No wrongdoing was found and the person making the disclosure was informed of the outcome.

The third disclosure was from an employee of another Government Department and had also been notified to the Minister in the relevant Department, as well as to other Government Ministers. The person making the disclosure was informed that the Department in which he/she was employed was the appropriate body to deal with the matters raised.

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