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RECOMMENDATION FOR DEAN OF GRADUATE RESEARCH SCHOOL'S LIST OF EXCEPTIONAL DOCTORAL THESES

Dear Examiner

Enclosed is a recommendation form for this thesis to be included on the Massey University Dean's List of Exceptional Doctoral Theses.

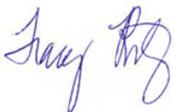
To be eligible for inclusion in the 'Dean's List', the thesis must have been submitted on or before the candidate's official submission date without their having an extension of study.

You are asked to indicate whether you consider the thesis is of exceptional quality in every respect, including research and analytical content, originality, quality of expression, accuracy of presentation, and contribution to the knowledge in the field. The thesis must be passed without any requirement for more than minor editorial changes. These would be in the nature of minimal typographical errors or subtle points of grammar, but would not extend to alterations which add or remove information, or which alter an interpretation conclusion. It is anticipated that approximately ten per cent of theses submitted will be of a standard to be included in the 'Dean's List'.

Depending upon the other examiners' recommendations, and the candidate's performance in the oral examination, you may be contacted by the convenor of the oral examination to check whether your original evaluation still stands.

The final decision for inclusion on the 'Dean's List' rests with Massey University's Doctoral Research Committee. Should you recommend that this candidate be considered for the Dean's List please completed the DRC6.5 form and return it electronically to the Graduate Research School with the DRC6.2 Examination Recommendation form and your thesis assessment report. As with the Examination Recommendation the 'Dean's List' recommendation is confidential to the examination panel.

Yours sincerely



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Name of Candidate:

Name of Examiner:

Massey University has instituted a Dean of Graduate Research School's *Dean's List of Exceptional Theses* which includes the names and thesis titles of those doctoral candidates whose research is assessed by examiners as being of **exceptionally high** quality.

Should you consider this thesis to be of exceptional quality in every respect (that is, in terms of research and analytical content, originality, quality of expression, accuracy of presentation, and contribution to advancement of knowledge in the field), and that it is likely to be among the top ten percent examined, you are invited to consider its placement on the List.

In doing so, it would be appreciated if you would tick the following box and provide a brief statement making explicit your grounds for this recommendation.

I recommend that this thesis be placed upon Massey University Dean of Graduate Research School's List of Exceptional Theses

I do not recommend that this thesis be placed upon Massey University Dean of Graduate Research School's List of Exceptional Theses

Statement:

Signature of Examiner:

Date:

Note: This recommendation will be kept strictly confidential until such time as all examiners have made their recommendation. If the Dean approves the inclusion of this thesis in the Massey University Dean of Graduate Research School's List of Exceptional Theses, the recommendation will be released, but this form will remain confidential.