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**CENTRE FOR HOUSING RESEARCH, AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND
HOUSING RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

I am writing to provide you with an update on CHRANZ's housing research activities.

CHRANZ RESEARCH BULLETIN

Please find enclosed CHRANZ Research Bulletin 01, October 2005, Housing Tenure Aspirations and Attainment. This is the first in a series of research bulletins that will summarise the key research findings and policy implications from completed housing research commissioned by CHRANZ.

CHRANZ 2005/06 RESEARCH

The CHRANZ 2005/06 housing research programme is focused on:

- **The New Zealand Housing System** This includes the future of home ownership, affordable housing, and housing stock suitability.
- **Linking Housing and Social, Economic and Environmental Outcomes** This includes investigating connections between housing, labour markets and education and the development of sustainable settlements.

During 2005/06 CHRANZ will be investing in research that investigates:

The Future of Homeownership and the Role of the Private Rental Market in Auckland This research will: (i) analyse future home ownership by ethnicity (Maori, Pacific and new settlers) and income (low to moderate) in Auckland; and (ii) the role of the private rental market in meeting the housing demands of those for whom owner occupation is not an option financially.

Affordable Housing in the Bay of Plenty Region: A Solutions Study This research will investigate the links between housing, work and educational opportunities across the Bay of Plenty region.

Accessible Housing for the Future Aging and Disabled Population in New Zealand CHRANZ wishes to investigate the supply and demand for accessible housing for New Zealanders with a physical disability and to consider the policy implications.

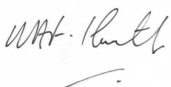
The Impact on Housing Energy Efficiency of Market Prices, Incentives and Regulatory Requirements The aim of this research is to analyse regulatory and market-based instruments to encourage house-owners (owner occupiers and land lords) to build new, or retro-fit existing, houses to make them more energy efficient.

Pacific Island Housing Experiences: Emerging Trends and Issues CHRANZ seeks to better understand the particular housing experiences and aspirations of Pacific Island communities, identify emerging trends and issues and solutions to current and future housing problems.

Housing and Economic Adjustment in New Zealand CHRANZ is interested in explaining movements in house prices across Territorial Local Authorities (TLAs) as a function of demographic and economic drivers; indicating near-term house supply responses; and identifying any significant regional variations.

Details of CHRANZ's housing research investments can be located at www.chranz.co.nz. For further information please contact Terrence Aschoff on 04 439 3326 or terrence.aschoff@chranz.co.nz.

Yours sincerely



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