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Senator Susan McDonald
Chair
Senate Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator McDonald

On 21 October 2020 I appeared as a witness before the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee Estimates hearing.

During the hearing Senator Sterle said in relation to the National Water Infrastructure Loan Facility:

“So how much money was spent on staffing and other budget items in administering the loans facility during the entire period of operation?”

In response I said

“For total program expenses we have \$615,986 expended over the program to 30 September 2020.”

I wish to correct this answer. The direct cost of the National Water Infrastructure Loan Facility from July 2018 to September 2020 was \$741,741. The remainder of my answer to the question, given at the hearing, is correct.

I apologise for the error in my answer and trust this further information will be of assistance to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

Bruce King
Chief Executive Officer