

Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham

Minister for Education and Training Senator for South Australia

Senator the Hon Stephen Parry President of the Senate Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr President

In response to Senator Rice's Notice of Motion dated 27 March 2017 which seeks the production of correspondence relating to the Draft National Recovery Plan for Leadbeater's Possum, I advise that there is no correspondence between staff of the Department of the Environment and Energy and either the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources or the Assistant Minister, or their parliamentary staff in relation to this Plan.

Yours sincerely

Simon Birmingham*

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