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Senator the Hon. Bill Heffernan
Chair
Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
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Dear Senator Heffernan

I have reviewed the proof Hansard of the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee of 9 February 2016 and wish to make a correction to the evidence I gave.

The correction relates to my response to a question from Senator Bullock. The relevant dialogue is on page 135 of the proof Hansard. I have included the question and response from Hansard, followed by the corrected response to the question.

Senator BULLOCK: There is a form GED200314, which you would have memorised, which includes a field to provide information about the greyhound passport system. Is this form currently on the departmental website?

Ms Evans: *It is not on our website, it is not our form.*

Correct response: It is not on our website.

I have been informed that the form was created by the department in 2006 to collect some data on the reasons greyhounds were exported. It was voluntary and had no bearing on the assessment of applications to export greyhounds. It was removed from the department's website in September 2015.

Thank you for the opportunity to correct my evidence to the committee.

Yours sincerely

Ms Jo Evans
Deputy Secretary

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