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Dear Senators

**Budget Estimates Hearings – 30 May 2011 – Clarification**

The Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research appeared before the Senate Standing Committee on Economics at the Budget Estimates Hearings on 30 May 2011.

During the Hearings on 30 May 2011, Senator Eggleston asked about the level of conflicts of interest of Commercialisation Australia Board members (Proof Hansard, page 70).

In response I referred to four members of the seven member Board constituting a quorum. I seek to clarify that in fact whilst four members constitute a quorum for the fifteen member Board of Innovation Australia, under which the Commercialisation Australia Board has been established, a quorum for the Commercialisation Australia Board is three members.

Yours sincerely

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