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Senator Bill Heffernan
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Dear Senator Heffernan

Supplementary Budget Estimates February 2014

I write regarding statements made at the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing held on 24 February 2014. At the time of the hearing, information was unintentionally given that may be ambiguous.

The excerpt appears in the Proof Hansard as follows:

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In response to a question from Senator Xenophon regarding the AWIS, I stated:

Mr HOOD: "The navigation aid, the NDB, was out of service and had been NOTAMED five days prior".

Please be advised that: The AWIS link was out of service.

In response to Senator Xenophon regarding "is it operating now", I stated:

Mr HOOD: "That navigation aid has been decommissioned".

Please be advised that: the AWIS system was decommissioned.

I apologise for the inaccuracy and trust that this clarifies the situation for you.

Yours sincerely

Greg Hood
Executive General Manager

11 April 2014