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Department of the Environment and Energy

Senator Duniam
Chair
Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Duniam

On 4 April 2019, I appeared as a witness before the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Estimates Hearing.

During the hearing Senator Whish-Wilson said in relation to a funding allocation for the Communities Environment Program

"Is there a dollar amount, like a cap or an allocation within that fund, or an expectation, of how much would go towards recycling?"

In response I said

".....No, there isn't. The only thing I would flag is that, in addition to the communities environment program, which we were talking about earlier, there is a community restoration fund which is \$100 million and it talks about waste and recycling initiatives. But, no, there is no cap in there. I just want to flag that there are actually two programs that talk about waste."

I wish to correct this answer. ...in addition to the Communities Environment Program, there is also an Environment Restoration Fund...

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

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