



Australian Government
**Department of Agriculture,
Water and the Environment**

Senator the Hon David Fawcett
Chair
Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Fawcett

CORRECTION – QUESTION ON NOTICE SQ21-000578 (JUNE 2021)

I am writing to advise the Committee of an error in the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment response to Question on Notice SQ21-000578.

Senator Rice submitted the Question on Notice SQ21-000578 in relation to the National Environmental Science Program Phase 2 selection process

“2d. Please provide a list of letters of support that were attached with each bid.”

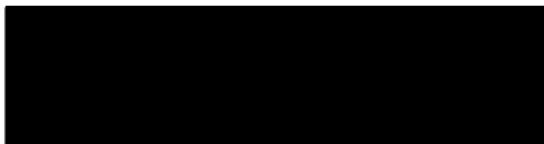
In response the department submitted

“Letters of support have not been provided as they contain commercially sensitive information such as offers of matching funding and in-kind support such as resourcing.”

The question was misinterpreted by the department and I wish to correct this answer. A list of the letters of support that were provided for each bid is now included in the amended response to question 2d in the Question on Notice attached.

I apologise for the error in the original answer and trust this further information will be of assistance to the Committee.

Yours sincerely



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