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ABORIGINAL
HOSTELS LIMITED

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Mr Mark Fitt
Committee Secretary
Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

By email: fpa.sen@aph.gov.au

Dear Mr Fitt

Hansard Correction of Evidence

I am writing to provide a correction to the evidence I provided during the Aboriginal Hostels Limited (AHL) appearance before the Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee during the 2025-26 Additional Estimates hearing on 2 December 2025.

In response to Senator Liddle's question about the cuts of up to five per cent announced by Minister Gallagher, I stated that I believed the cuts applied to AHL. I wish to clarify that AHL are exempt.

In response to Senator Liddle's question about the additional \$1.1 million funding for the Apmere Mwerre Visitors Park expansion and upgrade project, I outlined that this additional \$1.1 million in funding was for updates to the front entrance of the facility. I wish to clarify that the additional \$1.1 million was for increased site and project costs that were identified following completion of detailed design and construction tender, which were not originally in-scope for the project.

These additional works included: relocation of the water meter, replacement of the existing ring main for potable water within the site, upgrades to the existing sewer system, fire services upgrades, carpark upgrades and additional requirements for the front entrance.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive Officer