Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee Answers to questions on notice

Regulation of farm practices that impact water quality outcomes in the Great Barrier Reef

Question No: 1

Hearing: Public hearing in Brisbane — Inquiry into regulation of farm practices that

impact the water quality outcomes in the Great Barrier Reef

Witnesses: Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

Topic: The production of the Great Barrier Reef Outlook Report 2019

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Senator Roberts asked:

1. Can you tell me what Professor Hussey's doctorate is in?

2. Does Professor Hussey have a science degree of any kind?

Answers provided to questions 1 and 2 below

Prof. Karen Hussey has the following formal qualifications:

- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD, Political Science), University of Melbourne, conferred 2008
- Masters of Economic Sciences (M.Econ.Sc.) University College Dublin, National University of Ireland, conferred 2002
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A with double major in Economics and Politics), University of Melbourne, conferred 2000

In addition to these qualifications Prof. Hussey is well regarded and recognised for her expertise in:

- Social science and economics
- Environmental policy
- Water resources, energy, climate change.

In the period just before Prof Hussey was engaged to peer review the Outlook Report she was involved in a 2017 review of implementation progress of the Reef 2050 Plan and was a principal investigator on the 'Reef Restoration and Adaptation Program Design Phase' collaborative project with the Australian Institute of Marine Science. She was also a member of – and later Co-Chair – of the Future Earth Australia Steering Committee and a member of the Expert Science Panel of WWF Australia. Prof. Hussey has been a researcher or lead researcher on numerous research projects focused on environmental policy, regulation and governance, as well as on natural hazards and climate change, and her international experience includes as an advisory board member of the UNESCO Chair in Water Economics and Transboundary Water Governance at the ANU.

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Senator Rennick:

3. Confirmation from Senator Rennick that he would like a link provided to the Australian Institute of Marine Science's website which contains information and results from the monitoring of coral on the Great Barrier Reef.

Answers provided to questions 1 below

Australian Institute of Marine Science Long Term Monitoring Program survey reports can be accessed here: https://www.aims.gov.au/docs/research/monitoring/reef/latest-surveys.html