Senator Sarah Hanson-Young **Environment and Communications References Committee** Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Chair,

On Friday, 14 February 2025 I appeared as a witness before the Environment and Communications References Committee for the Inquiry into waste reduction and recycling policies.

During the hearing Senator Cadell said in relation to the Recycling Modernisation Fund:

"I want to talk about the RMF and how we've gone on allocating that. Do we have the latest co-funding amounts that we've put in and how much has been matched as part of the RMF?"

In response I said

"I just found the amounts of the contributions. Of the committed money, we've got \$200 million from the Australian government, \$175 million from the states and territories and then \$638 million from third-party investments."

I wish to correct this answer. The correct figure for the contributions thus far to the Recycling Modernisation Fund projects from the state and territory governments is \$158 million. 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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