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Dear Chair

I would like to thank the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee for providing me, as a representative of the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, with the opportunity to give evidence at the public hearing into the Product Stewardship Bill 2011.

I am writing to clarify evidence that I provided at the hearing on 13 April 2011 and ask that errors of fact are corrected in the final Hansard.

- Proof Committee Hansard, p.38: I stated that there are some 32 members on the stakeholder reference group. The television and computer scheme stakeholder reference group had 31 members and the stakeholder reference group for the product stewardship legislation 19 members.
- Proof Committee Hansard, p.38: I stated that a link to the Bill was made available to the legislation stakeholder reference group when the Bill was introduced. To clarify, the department posted a notice on its website on the day of introduction (23 March 2011) and this was followed up with an email to members of the legislation stakeholder reference group on 4 April 2011.
- Proof Committee Hansard, p. 44: I referred to a paint levy trial being undertaken in Victoria by the Plastics and Chemicals Industry Association (PACIA). This trial is being undertaken by the Australian Paint Manufacturers' Federation (APMF) and includes members of PACIA.

I would be happy to assist the Committee with any further enquiries about the evidence provided by the department at the public hearing.

Yours sincerely

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