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Mrs Julia Irwin MP Chair Standing Committee on Petitions PO Box 6021 House of Representatives Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Irwin

Subject: Correction to statement made before the Standing Committee on Petitions

I wish to advise the Committee of a correction to statements I made before the Committee on 1 September 2008.

During the discussion on how a road may be added to the National Land Transport Network under the *AusLink (National Land Transport) Act 2005*, I stated that

"... in Darwin, the national network extends to the gate of the port and the determination is set to end effectively at the gate. What happens inside the port is then a matter for the port corporation."

While my comments have been recorded correctly these comments were not factually correct. The AusLink (National Land Transport) Act National Land Transport Network Determination 2005 (No. 1) has the Adelaide (Port Augusta)-Darwin section of the National Network as

"Stuart Highway, from its intersection with the Eyre Highway at Port Augusta, to its intersection with Berrimah Road, Berrimah Road to and within East Arm Port at Darwin."

Please accept my apologies for any confusion this matter may have caused.

Yours sincerely

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