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Senator Malarndirri McCarthy: asked the Australian Livestock Export Corporation on 24 May 2018—

Senator McCARTHY: If I can just go to my last question to you, when I asked you about the independent technical adviser: can you provide the committee with a list of the skills, the qualifications, of that technical adviser?

Mr Samuel Brown: I don't have his CV in front of me that I could-

Senator McCARTHY: Would you be able to provide it on notice?

Mr Samuel Brown: I'll be able to provide it—definitely a summary of his skills. He's a production veterinarian and has a range of research backgrounds. But of course they are, as they always are, quite technical areas of research and skill that he has. In order to do that correctly and 100 per cent I'll take that one on notice and provide you with a summary.

Answer —

Richard Shephard graduated from the University of Sydney in 1989 in Veterinary Science with First Class Honours and a University Medal. He worked for ten years in mixed (mainly dairy) practice in Australia and the UK. He now provides farm management and industry consultancy and research services. Richard has extensive experience in design, conduct and management of research projects and studies. He has training in Good Clinical Practice (GCP) and Good Laboratory Practice (GLP) research techniques and has published over 30 articles in peer-reviewed journals, conference proceedings and seminars.

Richard completed a Masters of Veterinary Studies degree from Massey University in 2000 and a PhD from the University of Sydney in 2007 in veterinary epidemiology. He has developed significant expertise in clinical medicine, disease, reproduction, animal production, population medicine (One Health), statistics, data management and modelling and he applies these skills to investigate farming system problems through his private company Herd Health Pty Ltd. Herd Health regularly contributes to reviews of industry programs having worked for Dairy Australia, Meat & Livestock Australia, Animal Health Australia, LiveCorp, various state departments of agriculture and other agencies. Herd Health also provides services for private companies.