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Ms Samantha Mannette  
Inquiry Secretary  
Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mannette

**Re: Correction to the Australian Electoral Commission supplementary submission of 24 May 2011 to the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters' Inquiry into the 2010 federal election**

Paragraph 4.2.20 of the AEC submission dated 24 May 2011 should read as follows:

The nomination deposit permits genuine candidates to nominate for election while discouraging those with little prospect of being elected. Deposits were last set in **2006** at \$500 for House of Representatives and \$1 000 for Senate candidates respectively. The AEC notes that if the same index had been applied to nomination deposits as is applied to the public funding rate, the nomination deposits would now be in the order of **\$550** for the House of Representatives and **\$1 100** for the Senate without increasing the value of the deposit in real terms.

Please accept my apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause.

Yours sincerely

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