



Australian Government
Director of National Parks

Senator Linda Reynolds
Chair
Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Reynolds

On 19 October 2015 I appeared as a witness before the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Estimates Hearing.

During the hearing Senator Peris asked about the fire that burned from the Ranger project area into Kakadu National Park (refer page 60 of the Hansard).

In my response to the above question I indicated the Energy Resources of Australia (ERA) lease is in Jabiluka. I would like to clarify my answer to this question. The fire Senator Peris was referring to was lit in the Ranger project area, but in my answer I referred to the Jabiluka mineral lease area. These two areas are adjacent to each other and surrounded by, but separate from, Kakadu National Park. Both areas are leased by ERA. However, the area under discussion was only the Ranger project area and not Jabiluka as my answer may have indicated.

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify this matter for the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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Director of National Parks
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