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The Hon Bill Heffernan
Chair
Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
Department of Senate
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Heffernan

Subject:

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2005

I write regarding my statements at the recent Senate Estimates Hearings of 31 October 2005.

At the time of the hearing incorrect information was unintentionally given. The incorrect excerpt appears in the Hansard as follows:

Date: Monday, 31 October 2005 Pages: RRA&T 104 and 105

Line: last line and fourth line respectively

"Ms Page – The total cost of the project is \$105.8 million, made up of \$55,000 – sorry, \$105,880, made up of \$55,000 from the Australian government, \$50,000 from the Shire of East Pilbara and \$880 from Bluescope Steel."

"Ms Page- Eight hundred and eighty dollars."

It has been brought to my attention that BHP Billiton, not BlueScope Steel, has made the in-kind contribution of \$780, not \$880, towards this project. I request the correction be placed on the record relating to the Supplementary Estimates session.

I apologise for any inconvenience the incorrect information may have caused.

Yours sincerely

Susan Page

Deputy Secretary

December 2005