Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates October 2012 Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Question: 272

Division/Agency: Agricultural Productivity Division/Australian Wool Innovation

Topic: Aerial dingo baiting trial Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator EDWARDS asked:

Are there any plans to continue the aerial dingo baiting trial that was originally funded by AWI? Is AWI aware of any additional funding to roll this out further?

Answer:

The aerial dingo baiting trial that was carried out in South Australia (SA) was funded by Biosecurity South Australia, not Australian Wool Innovation (AWI).

AWI provided \$88 000 to the Department of Primary Industries and Regions SA to employ a South Australian Aerial Wild Dog Baiting Coordinator. The coordinator consulted local growers to ensure local knowledge was incorporated into the trial. AWI provided this funding for the period January 2012 to August 2012.

AWI is not aware of any additional funding to extend the trial.