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**Australian Sports Commission**

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Senate Standing Committees on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport  
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Dear Mr Palethorpe

On Tuesday, 16 October 2012, the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) appeared before the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee Legislation Committee.

During the hearing, Senator Abetz directed a series of questions to the ASC in relation to employee fraud, which can be viewed on page 129 of the Estimates transcript and is provided below as follows:

**Senator ABETZ:** *I see, when they were confronted with misuse of a credit card to fill up their private car?*

**Mr Hollingsworth:** *That is correct.*

**Senator ABETZ:** *Thank you. Also, was this person running a business?*

**Mr Hollingsworth:** *Not that I am aware.*

Subsequent to our appearance, I have been advised that this answer was not correct—the employee in question was running a business while employed by the ASC. I would appreciate if you could provide this information to Senator Abetz and other members of the Committee.

I note that Senator Abetz has also sought further information about this matter through a question placed on notice in the Senate on 30 October 2012 (question number 2398). A response will be provided to this question as soon as possible.

Should you require further information, please contact Andrew McGowan in the Government Relations team

Yours sincerely

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