Senator Lucy Gichuhi
Chair
Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

**Dear Senator** 

Correction of evidence/clarification of an answer to 2018-19 Additional Estimates Hearing on 21 February 2019.

I am writing to amend an answer provided to the Committee during its examination of the Department of Social Services in relation to Outcome 4, reference p88, Hansard.

In answering a question from Senator Cameron regarding the number of approved participants in the National Rental Affordability Scheme that are community housing providers, Mr Brenton Philp, Group Manager, Welfare and Housing Policy Group stated:

We don't collect data on whether approved participants are community housing providers, but our estimate of those from just doing searches on the internet is that about 39 per cent to 40 per cent of total dwellings are managed by approved participants.

Upon reviewing the Hansard, the Department provides the modified answer below:

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The Department requests that the Hansard be modified accordingly.

Yours sincerely

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