



Australian Government

Department of Climate Change, Energy,
the Environment and Water

Senator Karen Grogan
Chair
Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Grogan

Having reviewed the transcript of the Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings conducted by the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee on 13 and 17 February 2023, the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water would like to provide the following factual corrections to the Committee.

Correction 1

On Monday 17 February 2023, Ms Edwina Johnson appeared as a witness before the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Estimates hearing.

During the hearing, in response to Senator Water's questions, Ms Edwina Johnson said:

"The emissions projections take advice from areas like the Office of the Chief Scientist and the Department of Industry, and also Wood Mackenzie."

This answer should be corrected to:

"The emissions projections take advice from areas like the Office of the Chief Economist and the Department of Industry, and also Wood Mackenzie."

Correction 2

On Monday 17 February 2023, Dr Peta Derham appeared as a witness before the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Estimates hearing.

During the hearing Senator Hanson-Young said in relation to contract value of water recovery towards the 450 GL additional environmental water:

"For the contracted water, how much are the contracts worth for those different transfers?"

In response Dr Peta Derham said:

"Total contract value for all the projects associated with the 26 gigalitres is \$373 million."

This answer should be corrected to:

"Total contract value for all the projects associated with the 26 gigalitres is \$374 million."

I apologise for the errors in the answers outlined above and trust this further information will be of assistance to the Committee. The remainder of the answers to questions given at the hearing are correct.

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