



19 June 2023

Mr Tas Larnach
Committee Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Economics
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Larnach

Estimates Hearing Tuesday, 30 May 2023, Economics Legislation Committee, Department of the Treasury - Proof Committee Hansard, Pages 13 and 103

At the above noted Senate Estimates Hearings on Tuesday, 30 May 2023 I provided the following evidence;

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I am writing to provide an amended response to the Committee in relation to this matter. Please make the below amendments in relation to pages 13 and 103.

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Regards

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