

Senator Glenn Sterle Chair Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Sterle

On 24 October 2023 I appeared as a witness before the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee Estimates hearing.

During the hearing Senator White said in relation to the phase out of live sheep exports by sea

"While you are looking, can you also explain what the WA government anticipates the overall drop in the size of the WA sheep flock would be? That will be in the submission as well".

In response I said

"...Their impacts range from a \$123 million estimated impact...That brings it down to an estimated impact of \$22 million...".

I wish to correct this answer with the following insertions shown in bold.

"Their impacts range from a \$123 million estimated impact annually...That brings it down to an estimated impact of \$22 million annually."

The remainder of my answer to the question, given at the hearing, is correct.

I apologise for the error in my answer and trust this further information will be of assistance to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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