



The Secretary  
Senate Standing Committee on Economics  
Parliament House  
Capital Hill ACT 2600

Dear Sir,

Re: Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping Bill 2012) and Related Bills

I write to note a point of clarification required following comments by the Chair of the Committee, Senator Mark Bishop, at the hearing in Canberra on May 15.

Senator Bishop stated that he understood my evidence was that commercial-in-confidence shipping information was supplied to the Minerals Council of Australia (MCA) by its individual member companies and then this material was given to Deloitte Access Economics (DAE) for its economic analysis.

While the MCA facilitated contact between member companies and DAE, the MCA was not privy to the commercial content.

Yours Sincerely,

Sid Marris  
Director – Industry Policy  
Minerals Council of Australia

15 May, 2012