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To: <u>Economics, Committee (SEN)</u>

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Dear Monique

At our appearance at the Senate Economics References Committee Inquiry into Australia's Oil and Gas Reserves on Friday 20 August, Senator Patrick asked Dr King and me whether the Productivity Commission had input into the Government's decision regarding domestic gas reservation. We replied that we were not aware of such input.

For the record, we wish to clarify that there was a meeting between officers of the Industry Department and the Productivity Commission in November 2020 as part of the Department's stakeholder consultation on its issues paper 'Options for a prospective national gas reservation scheme'. The Commission did not make a submission to the review.

Kind regards

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