



Committee Secretary
Senate Standing Committees on Environment and Communications
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

By email to: ec.sen@aph.gov.au

5 July 2024

Dear Secretary

Re: comments by Senator Bilyk in Greenwashing hearing 24th May 2024

I am writing with regards to the Committee's 10am session on 24th May 2024 on the Greenwashing inquiry. It has come to our attention that during this session where Jessica Coughlan representing the Neighbours of Fish Farming was giving evidence, a comment was made regarding funding of my organisation, the Australian Marine Conservation Society (AMCS), by Senator Bilyk.

The comment made by Senator Bilyk was seemingly a statement of fact, stating that AMCS was funded by the Bob Brown Foundation¹. AMCS does not currently, nor have we ever received funding from the Bob Brown Foundation. Our accounts are all available online.

I would appreciate it if this matter could be drawn to the attention of Senator Bilyk and corrected on the record.

Yours sincerely,

Darren Kindleysides
CEO, Australian Marine Conservation Society

¹ Page 9 of the Hansard Proof Copy of the Senate Environment and Communications References Committee, Greenwashing inquiry, Friday 24 May 2024
https://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/download/committees/commsen/27971/toc_pdf/Environment%20and%20Communications%20References%20Committee%202024%2005%2024.pdf;fileType=application%2Fpdf#search=%22committees/commsen/27971/0000%22