

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
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**Australian Broadcasting Corporation**

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**Topic: Showing home addresses**

**Senator Seselja asked:**

When you were examining this before you apologised to Mr Newman did you ask the question and did you get any answer as to what was seen as the relevance of showing the home address?

**Mr Scott:** It was a few months ago, Senator, but it was the fact that he had moved into this new, important role and was currently operating this business. As I recall, Senator, it was in a sense a filming in the vicinity of where that business was operating. I think it was that. It should not have happened and I apologised to the Premier. He was unhappy about it but he accepted my apologies.

**Senator Seselja:** You apologised to the Premier. Did you apologise to the Mellor family?

**Mr Scott:** I think there was contact with the Mellor family. I will need to check that

**Answer:**

The ABC received the complaint via the Premier's office and ABC Managing Director Mark Scott issued an apology through the relevant complainant, Queensland Premier Campbell Newman, on 6 December 2013. We understand that this apology was sent on to the Mellor family through the Premier's office on that date.