

Australian Government

Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts

Senator A McEwen
Chair
Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications and the Arts
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator McEwen

On 19 October 2009 I appeared as a witness before the Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications and the Arts for the 2009-10 Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing.

During the hearing, Senator Birmingham asked a number of questions relating to the Resale Royalty for Visual Artists Bill 2008, including how funding had been allocated for the establishment of the scheme. In response to the questions, I indicated that the Government would provide funding of \$0.5 million in 2009-10, \$0.5 million in 2010-11 and \$0.5 million in 2011-12.

I wish to clarify that the Government will provide funding of \$0.75 million in 2009-10, \$0.5 million in 2010-11, and \$0.25 million in 2011-12 for the establishment of the resale royalty scheme. This amounts to \$1.5 million total funding over three years.

Yours sincerely

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