



Australian Government

Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts



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

Dear Senator McEwen

On 20 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 Milne asked a number of questions relating to the Green Loans Program, including how many Green Loans have been provided.

In response, I advised that there are 75,000 loans in total and that the Government had allowed for 20,000 loans each year over the next four years. This is incorrect as it would make a total of 80,000 loans.

I apologise for the error and wish to clarify that the Government has allowed for 20,000 loans each year over the next three years and then 15,000 in the final year of the program, bringing the total to 75,000 loans.

Yours sincerely

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