



11 June 2009

Senator Annette Hurley
Chair
Senate Standing Committee on Economics
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Hurley,

I am writing to correct evidence I gave during CSIRO's attendance at the Budget Estimates hearing on 1 June 2009.

In responding to a question from Senator Macdonald regarding water resource assessments CSIRO is undertaking in northern Australia (pg E35) I stated that:

"I need to differentiate. The water resource assessments that I am talking about are being fully paid for by the department of environment. They are an input source to the work that has been commissioned by the northern task force."

This work is actually being funded by both the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, and the National Water Commission, both of which fall under the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts portfolio.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. Johnson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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