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Senator Glen Sterle
Chair of the Senate Rural and Regional
Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Committee Chair

On Thursday 30 May 2013, I appeared before the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee estimates hearing. At this hearing I was asked by Senator Gary Humphries whether I was in the role of First Assistant Secretary responsible for Norfolk Island in March 2012. On reviewing the Hansard today, I indicated that I was in the role from about January, but I was also responsible for a range of other matters and my focus on Norfolk is not complete in my memory at that time.

I would like to formally clarify this statement. I commenced the role in January 2013.

I apologise for any confusion caused by the Hansard statement.

Yours sincerely

Robyn Fleming

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