



30 October 2008

Senator Glenn Sterle
Chair
Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Sterle,

Re: Senate Estimates 20 October 2008

It has come to my attention that on the 20th of October the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee did indeed have questions for Land & Water Australia. I apologise for not being present when the Committee called Land & Water Australia and will endeavour to ensure my presence at the appropriate time in the future. As you are aware I was present earlier in the evening. However at the completion of questions relating to resource management, I was advised by Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry officers that there were no questions for Land & Water Australia and I was free to leave.

The Committee's question for Land & Water Australia was appropriately handled by Mr Ian Thompson (DAFF). I would of course be happy to accept on notice further questions should there be any that were not raised at that time.

I have discussed this matter with Dr Conall O'Connell, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry and have copied him this letter.

Please contact me if I can be of any assistance to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

Dr Michael Robinson
Executive Director



cc: Dr Conall O'Connell, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

