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Dear Ms Bleeser

**Inquiry into Issues relating to the Fuel and Energy Industry**  
**Proof Transcript of Evidence and Questions on Notice**

I have reviewed the Hansard transcript of my evidence provided to the Committee in Canberra on Monday, 14 December 2009. Please find attached a marked up version highlighting a few minor corrections I consider should be made.

I undertook to provide a full copy of the most recent Statement of Opportunities prepared by AEMO. AEMO published separate Statements of Opportunity (SOO) for both gas and electricity in 2009 so I have included copies of both for the Committee's information. The electricity SOO and was published at the end of August 2009 and the gas SOO in December 2009. Electronic copies of these documents are also available on our website [aemo.com.au](http://aemo.com.au).

I also undertook to provide some additional information on the elasticity of electricity demand to price. Section 3.7.4 in the electricity SOO provides a discussion of this matter.

There was also discussion of supply forecasting at the hearing; viz:

Chair "You do demand forecasting. I assume you do supply forecasting as well."

In my response I stated that the Statement of Opportunities does not include an actual supply forecast. I pointed to the future release of planning work which would include supply forecasts against some scenarios. That work is now complete and was published on 17 December 2009. A copy of the National Transmission Statement (NTS), as it is known, is attached for the Committee's information.

If you have any questions with this response or if you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at the above address or on my direct phone number

Yours sincerely

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