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Budget Estimates Secretariat Room 812, Level 8, Parliament House Macquarie Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir / Madam

I have included an additional copy of the transcript, marked up with corrections identified by witnesses and myself.

As part of these transcript corrections, I would like to clarify a particular issue that came up during questioning at the hearing concerning applications for approval of flood works in the Barwon-Darling. The dialogue involves committee members Mr Jeremy Buckingham and Daniel Mookhey, witnesses Mr David Harris, CEO WaterNSW and Mr Scott Hansen, Director General, Department of Primary Industries and myself.

During these discussions there was repeated reference to "water sharing plans" when in fact the dialogue related to floodplain management plans, and in particular the Barwon Darling Floodplain Management Plan. In the attached copy, these references are corrected.

Yours sincerely,

The Hon Niall Blair MLC Minister for Primary Industries Minister for Regional Water Minister for Trade and Industry Encl.