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**To:** Portfolio Committee 7; Derek Rutherford  
**Cc:** Brendan Bruce; Mitchell Isaacs; EES BCS BCD MD Coordination Mailbox  
**Subject:** RE: Inquiry into the rationale for, and impacts of, new dams and other water infrastructure in NSW - Post-hearing responses - Friday 4 December 2020

**Categories:** Water Infrastructure in NSW

Dear Madeleine,

- Derek and I agree that the transcript is accurate and we do not request any corrections.

We would like to provide the following as additional clarification for consideration by the committee:

1. Page 58, Mr Rutherford – confirm that the response that BCS prepares for the DPIE Planning and Assessment Group on the exhibited EIS is a public document and is placed on the DPIE major projects website.
2. Page 58 and 59 – Mr Rutherford and Ms Dumazel – confirm SEARs have been issued for all dam projects (Wyangala, Dungowan and Mole River) and the Macquarie River Re-regulating Storage and they are all publicly available on the DPIE major projects website.
3. Page 59 - NSW Government is not currently proposing new additions to the Ramsar list, however, third parties can nominate sites to be listed.
4. Page 59 - Background information on the Riverbank program can be found on the DPIE website <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/water/water-for-the-environment/about-water-for-the-environment/what-is-it/history-of-environmental-water-management>

Kind regards

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