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Dear Ms Faehrmann

Clarification of evidence provided during Energy and Environment Budget Estimates hearing – 2 March 2021

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify evidence I provided to Portfolio Committee No. 7 during the Budget Estimates hearing for Energy and Environment on Tuesday 2 March 2021.

At the hearing, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked about the number of wild horses removed from Kosciuszko National Park.

As at 2 March 2021, 446 wild horses had been removed from Kosciuszko National Park since post-fire operations commenced in July 2020.

On page 58 of the uncorrected transcript, my response is currently recorded as follows:

“...441 have been removed in 2021 to date [2 March 2021].”

In fact, my statement was “...441 have been removed in 20-21 to date [2 March 2021].” (*correction in italics*)

I would like to amend this response accordingly. Alternatively, if you wish to further clarify, it could be amended as follows:

“...446 have been removed in 2020-21 to date [2 March 2021].”

This is consistent with a subsequent statement given by me in the hearing and recorded on page 82 of the uncorrected transcript.

If you have any questions about this clarification, please contact Ms Sandra Harris, Director, Ministerial Services, Environment, Energy and Science, via or

Yours sincerely

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