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Dear Ms Moriarty

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify the evidence I provided to Portfolio Committee No.1 during the Treasurer and Energy hearing for Budget Estimates on 22 August 2022.

At the hearing Ms Abigail Boyd MLC asked me a question about the budget allocated to increased carbon storage and sequestration (page 78 of the uncorrected transcript). Later in the hearing, I advised the following: “Ms Boyd, you asked the question in reference to *Budget Paper No. 2* in section 7.7 on the \$34.2 million on CCS. I can confirm that that refers to DPI work under the Minister for Agriculture so would best be directed to that portfolio.” (page 85 of the uncorrected transcript).

I wish to clarify this response. This question refers to the work of the Department of Regional NSW and should be referred to the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police.

If you have any questions about this clarification, please do not hesitate to contact
Director Ministerial Services Branch, Environment and Heritage Group

Yours sincerely

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