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Re: Portfolio Committee No. 2 - Current and potential impacts of gold, silver, lead and zinc mining on human health, land, air and water quality in New South Wales

Dear Ms Dyer,

I refer to my appearance before the Committee on Monday 18 September.

During my appearance, I was asked by The Hon Cate Faehrmann MLC if the NSW Minerals Council had any input into the NSW Government's Critical Minerals Strategy.

In my response to this question I noted my recollection was that the Strategy was released without any industry consultation.

However, I have since checked, and a member of my staff has subsequently confirmed that on 29 September 2021 staff from the NSW Minerals Council, along with a representative from the Association of Mining and Exploration Companies, attended a one hour meeting with Departmental officers to discuss high level themes proposed for the Strategy document.

I did not attend this meeting, and at the time of my appearance at the Inquiry I had no recollection of it. However, I wish to ensure the Committee is provided with this information.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Galilee
Chief Executive Officer