

The Cabinet Office



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The Hon. Jeremy Buckingham MLC
Chair
Portfolio Committee No. 1 – Premier & Finance
Parliament House
6 Macquarie Street
Sydney NSW 2000

By email: budgetestimates@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Re: Clarification of Evidence – Budget Estimates Hearing on 26 February 2025

Dear Chair,

I am writing to clarify evidence I provided at the Budget Estimates additional hearing for Legislative Council Portfolio Committee No. 1 – Premier & Finance on 26 February 2025.

Correction to transcript

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If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kate Boyd PSM
Secretary