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Ms Cate Faehrmann MLC Chair Portfolio Committee No.7 – Planning and Environment c/o Budget Estimates Secretariat Parliament House Macquarie Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Ms Faehrmann

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify the evidence I provided to Portfolio Committee No.7 during the Energy and Environment hearing for Budget Estimates on 26 October 2021.

At the hearing the Hon Rose Jackson MLC asked me the following question about the Energy Accounts Payment Assistance (EAPA) scheme (page 58 of the uncorrected transcript):

"And there is \$23 million allocated for 2020–21?"

My answer was that was "correct". I wish to clarify my evidence that the \$23 million is allocated for the 2021–22 financial year.

Yours sincerely

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