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Ms Sue Higginson MLC Chair Legislative Council Portfolio Committee No. 7 – Planning and Environment Parliament House SYDNEY NSW 2000

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Dear Ms Higginson

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify the evidence I provided to Portfolio Committee No. 7 – Planning and Environment during the Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Heritage Budget Estimates hearing on 7 March 2023.

At the hearing you asked me about the Narromine waste to energy project and the NSW Environment Protection Authority's position on the proposal. According to the uncorrected transcript I advised: "The exceptional pathway is that it must basically be replacing a dirtier fuel and not be fitting into the grid and be fielding its own, basically, operations, and then that can be considered an exception." (page 73).

I wish to clarify that the statement, clarified words underlined below, should have been "The exceptional pathway is that it must basically be replacing a dirtier fuel and not be <u>feeding</u> into the grid, and be <u>fuelling</u> its own, basically, operations and then that can be considered an exception."

If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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