

Thursday, 24 January 2013

The Research Director
Environment, Agriculture, Resources and Energy Committee
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Attention: Mr Rob Hansen.

Dear Sir, Rob,

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In reference our response forwarded to the committee on WRR Act amendments, WRIQ wishes to advise a correction to the following statement contained in that document?

"When WRIQ were asked to provide comment to the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection with respect the Governments intent to repeal the levy's head of power, we were provided the framework for the response in the form of a table which was submitted. The Association provided its response to all the proposed amendments on June 18 2012 and has had no further contact with the Department on the changes after this date.

The next time we were asked for comment was when the Committee publicly released the ACT papers in mid-December 2012. This is six months after the only feedback request was called for. The Departments consultation process in preparing the Act amendments should have been more transparent for all stakeholders".

Following communication on Tuesday 22 January 2013 with the Department, it was brought to my attention communicates from the Department had been widely circulated to all stakeholders including WRIQ, by Mr David Trstenjak, Reform and Innovation on October 12 in an email advice.

This email was not seen by WRIQ due to an electronic system error at our end and WRIQ confirms it did contain the draft legislative amendment proposals and draft explanatory notes for stakeholder advice. It also contained an offer from Mr Trstenjak to contact him if stakeholders had questions respect the circulated documents.

My statement (in italics above) as contained in WRIQ's original response is incorrect to the dates of contact and consultation process with WRIQ, and we wish to correct that statement that we were consulted in October with the changes and offered an ability to raise questions?

WRIQ apologises for any inconveniences WRIQ's statement may have resulted to the committees work result this error?

Yours Faithfully

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