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Dear Ms Jewell

**TRANSCRIPT OF EVIDENCE – STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES
AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS**

I refer to your letter of 6 May 2010, requesting confirmation of the transcript of evidence from the Committee hearing held 3 May 2010.

As evidenced on Page 8 of the transcript, during the course of this hearing I gave an undertaking to provide supplementary information on all of the detail I could find in the 2009-10 Budget Papers and subsequent Mid-year Review relating to the digitisation of the Western Australia Police (WAPOL) red light and speed camera fleet. This information is provided for the Committee below.

In regards to the disclosure of the \$30 million capital investment undertaken by the WAPOL, I refer the Committee's attention to the following sources:

- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 2, Volume 2, page 563 - digitisation of speed and red-light cameras is listed as one of the significant issues impacting the WAPOL;
- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 2, Volume 2, page 571 – digitisation of fixed speed and red-light cameras and mobile speed cameras is listed as commencing as part of the WAPOL asset investment program as a Government Election Commitment;
- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 2, Volume 2, page 573 – Speed and Red Light Camera Upgrades are listed in the WAPOL asset investment program at an estimated total cost of \$30 million in 2009-10;

- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 3, page 148 – an investment of \$30 million is listed in the WAPOL Policy Decisions table as *Economic Audit – Traffic Infringement Processing*;
- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 3, page 149 – a textual explanation is provided of the \$30 million investment listed in the WAPOL Policy Decisions table; and
- 2009-10 Government Mid-year Financial Projections Statement, page 112 – an investment of \$30 million in 2009-10 is shown in the Implementation of Corrective Measures table under *Outsourcing Traffic Infringement Processing*.

With respect to the revenues of \$52.8 million in 2010-11, and \$72.8 million in 2011-12 and 2012-13 which are forecast to be derived from the upgrades of the WAPOL speed and red light cameras fleet, it should be noted that these are distributed on the basis of one third of revenues flowing to the Road Transport Trauma Trust via the Office of Road Safety (which at that time was part of the Department of Premier and Cabinet), and two thirds of the revenues being returned to the consolidated account via the Department of Transport. In this regard, I refer the Committee's attention to the following sources:

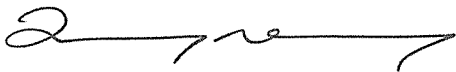
- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 2, Volume 2, page 418 – *Speed and Red Light Fines are listed in the Details of Administered Transactions table for the Department of Transport as increasing by \$35.2 million in 2010-11, and by a further \$13.3 million in both 2011-12 and 2012-13 (being two thirds of the additional revenue expected to be raised)*;
- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 2, Volume 1, page 93 – *Regulatory fees and fines listed on the Income Statement for the Department of Premier and Cabinet are shown as increasing by \$17.6 million in 2010-11, and by a further \$6.7 million in 2011-12 and \$0.2 million 2012-13 (being one third of the additional revenue expected to be raised)*;
- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 3, page 76 – *“the digitisation of the speed and red light camera fleet, which is expected to increase driving infringement revenue by \$52.8 million in 2010-11, rising to \$72.8 million thereafter”*;
- 2009-10 Budget Statements, Budget Paper 3, page 220 - *Fines (of which speed and red light fines are the main component) are forecast to increase by \$56 million in 2010-11 and by a further \$22 million in 2011-12, and \$1 million in 2012-13 in the General Government Operating Revenue table*;
- 2009-10 Government Mid-year Financial Projections Statement, page 86 – *Fines are forecast to increase by \$57 million in 2010-11 and by a further \$21 million in 2011-12, and \$2 million in 2012-13 in the General Government Operating Revenue table*; and

- *2009-10 Government Mid-year Financial Projections Statement, page 112 – negative expenditure (increased revenue) of \$52.8 million in 2010-11, rising to \$72.8 million in both 2011-12 and 2012-13, is shown in the Implementation of Corrective Measures table.*

As requested, I have attached the supplied transcript, signed and dated the first page and initialled all following pages.

I trust that this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Timothy Marney', with a stylized, flowing script.

Timothy Marney
UNDER TREASURER

18 May 2010