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Ms Carolyna Malouf **Committee Clerk** Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations Legislative Council Parliament House PERTH WA 6000



Dear Ms Malouf

TRANSCRIPT OF EVIDENCE – 27 JUNE 2011

I am writing in relation to the Office of Energy transcript of evidence which was presented to the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations (the Committee) on 27 June 2011. Enclosed please find the amended transcript which provides corrections to typographical or transcription errors.

I am also enclosing the following:

- 1. Corrections to incorrect factual information (included as a separate attachment); and
- 2. Additional information (included as a separate attachment).

Please accept my apologies for the unintentional provision of incorrect information. I trust that these clarifications are of assistance to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

TRANSCRIPT OF EVIDENCE -- INCORRECT FACTUAL INFORMATION

Monday, 27 June 2011

Office of Energy

(1) Page 4 – Hon Peter Collier

Transcript Statement: "It will come out as separate from the SCI ... "

Based on my knowledge of the correct name of the program, I, Michael Kerr, am of the opinion that the Hon Minister was referring to the SEI – being the Strategic Energy Initiative.

(2) Page 6 – Mr Kerr

Transcript Statement: "Now that they have left and gone back to their homes..."

I believe that in using the term "back to their homes", I was referring to their home agencies. I note that I was informing the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations of this particular matter in relation to people from other agencies who might not normally be involved in the downstream energy area, but who had been involved for a period of time, and who have now returned to their home agencies.

(3) Page 7 – Hon Peter Collier

Transcript Statement: "That is why we have the switch to the future campaign."

Based on my knowledge of the correct name of the program, I, Michael Kerr, am of the opinion that the Hon Minister was referring to the "Switch the Future" campaign.

(4) Page 8 – Hon Peter Collier

Transcript Statement: "Having said that, the switch to the future campaign has been very successful..."

Based on my knowledge of the correct name of the program, I, Michael Kerr, am of the opinion that the Hon Minister was referring to the "Switch the Future" campaign.

(5) Page 8 – Mr Kerr

(a) Transcript Statement: "But part of the challenge is how we measure in terms of impact all the outcomes of the measures in the national strategy for energy efficiency."

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I believe that in using the phrase: "...in terms of impact all the outcomes of the measures..." I was referring to the impact all the outcomes of the "actions" (rather than "measures") in the National Strategy for Energy Efficiency.

(b) Transcript Statement: "We will certainly think about the measures in the national strategy for energy efficiency to include in that indicator, but it is a measurement issue and can be quite complicated in terms of how we measure the outcomes to have validity in relation to that measure."

I believe that in using the phrase: "We will certainly think about the measures ..." I was referring to the "actions" (rather than "measures") in the National Strategy for Energy Efficiency. As well, I believe that in using the phrase "...to have validity in relation to that measure", I was referring to any specific energy efficiency action or program – therefore providing clarification on the meaning of the word "measure".

(6) Page 11 - Mr Smith

Transcript Statement: "There are 435 refrigerators that have been delivered and there are 98 refrigerators with suppliers waiting to be delivered to homeowners."

Based on my knowledge of the program and having regards to discussions with Mr Smith, I. Michael Kerr, am of the opinion that the reference to 435 refrigerators is incorrect and that 458 refrigerators have been delivered to homeowners under the Fridge Replacement Scheme in 2010/11. I also understand that there are not 98 refrigerators with suppliers waiting to be delivered to homeowners.

(7) Page 16 – Mr Kessaris

Transcript Statement: "Yes. You will see a number of grants and programs that stand around for the years..."

Based on my knowledge of Office of Energy grants and programs and having regards to discussions with Mr Kessaris, I. Michael Kerr, am of the opinion that the reference to "grants and programs that stand around for the years..." was intended to mean "grants and programs that stay around for years..."

(8) Page 17 – Mr Custodio

(a) Transcript Statement: "Initially it will potentially be first website information on the Office of Energy..."

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Based on my knowledge of the Office of Energy website and having regards to discussions with Mr Custodio, I, Michael Kerr, am of the opinion that the reference to "first website information on the Office of Energy..." was intended to mean "firstly a webpage on the Office of Energy website..."

(b) Transcript Statement: "A key issue at the moment is trying to obtain some of the information that we will be useful to be placed in the state line information page program."

Based on my knowledge of the development of an online renewable energy map, I, Michael Kerr, am of the opinion that Mr Custodio was intending to refer to the Shared Land Information Platform.

(c) Transcript Statement: "I think that the initial webpage we expect to complete this first half..."

Based on my knowledge of the development of an online renewable energy map, I, Michael Kerr, am of the opinion that Mr Custodio was intending to refer to the initial webpage we expect to complete this first half of the year.

(9) Page 20 – Mr Kerr

Transcript Statement: "It has been pretty clear that, while there have been a lot of benefits from the program to date, if you look at the geographic spread of them, it is fairly patchy."

I believe that in using the term "the geographic spread of them..." I was referring to "the geographic spread of areas where underground power has been installed."

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