

13 January 2026

The Hon. Jeremy Buckingham MLC
Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Net Zero Future
Parliament House
SYDNEY NSW 2000

By email: netzero@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Buckingham MLC,

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify the evidence I provided to the Joint Standing Committee on Net Zero Future during the Inquiry into Emissions from the fossil fuels sector on 12 December 2025.

At the hearing, I made a statement that the Net Zero Commission's spend last year was over \$6M.

I wish to amend my evidence to clarify that the Climate Change Fund Annual Report will say *In 2024–25, the Fund contributed \$4.8 million to the Net Zero Commission.*

During the hearing I also made a statement referencing the 'chief economist and scientist'.

I wish to amend my evidence to clarify that this refers to the 'NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer'.

Finally, at the hearing Dr Will Rayward-Smith, Executive Director, Net Zero Commission made a statement that the 'top five emitting mines in New South Wales account for 44 per cent of coalmining fugitive emissions.'

Dr Rayward-Smith wishes to amend his evidence to clarify that this was in relation to the top five underground coal mines in New South Wales.

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

Yours sincerely,

Nicholas Rowley
Chair
Net Zero Commission