

Hon. Jeremy Buckingham MLC Chair Portfolio Committee No. 1 – Premier and Finance

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Re: Clarification of evidence

15 January 2025

Dear Chair

I am writing to clarify a statement I provided to the Committee during the public hearing for the inquiry into the impact of the regulatory framework for cannabis in New South Wales on 11 December 2024.

On page 14 of the Transcript it states:

To go back to the Tasmania experience, we would be unlikely to see any definitive research. The total fatalities in Tasmania are, on average, 10 fatalities per annum. Their roadside drug testing is around 50,000 tests compared to our 200,000 target in New South Wales. The relative trauma in New South Wales is significantly more in that context.

The correct statement is that Tasmania conducts around 5,000 tests per annum compared to the target of 200,000 in NSW. I apologise for the error of fact.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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