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Mr Brendan Smyth
Chair
Public Accounts Committee
GPO Box 1020
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Mr Smyth

I am writing to provide the Public Accounts Committee with an amendment to the advice provided at the hearing for the inquiry into the Auditor-General's report No. 5 of 2013: Bushfire Preparedness. I seek to amend the Rural Fire Service (RFS) volunteer membership number as at 25 July 2014.

In the hearing an approximate number was provided as the membership fluctuates with new members and changes in status of existing member, particularly at this time of year.

The number of fire fighters as at 25 July 2014 for RFS Volunteers Brigades is 512 and for Parks Brigade is 163.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Stark AFSM
Chief Officer
ACT Rural Fire Service

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