To Dr C Bourke (Chair)

Standing Committee on Health, Ageing, Community and Social Services C/o Nicola Kosseck (Secretary)

(Reference: Inquiry into exposure draft of the Drugs of Dependence (Cannabis Use for Medical Purposes) Amendment Bill 2014 and related discussion paper)

I would like to make public note of a correction to the evidence I gave before the committee on the 13th of March 2015. On page 15 of the Proof Transcript I refer to "inhale", "inhaler" and "inhaling", where what I should have said was "vaporise", "vaporiser" and "vaporising".

There have been inhalers developed for cannabinoids, along the lines of asthma inhalers, to deliver fixed to medical users. As far as I know, none have gained wide use. The device I use is properly called a vaporiser (or 'vaporizer'), and works as I indicated in the transcript. Vaporizers seem to be gaining popularity with medical cannabis users, and even some recreational users. Confusingly, some small, portable vaporisers are sometimes referred to as 'inhalers', but function in the same way as larger vaporisers.

Thank You

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