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Sent by email: bblackw2@une.edu.au

Dear Dr Blackwell

Re: Murray-Darling Basin Royal Commission - Notification of Contrary Evidence

I advise that the Murray-Darling Basin Royal Commission has commenced public hearings in Adelaide.

I invite your attention to the submission of Professor Sarah Wheeler and others, provided to the Commission and available on the website at www.mdbrc.sa.gov.au. I note that that submission critiques your report entitled Blackwell, Boyd, McFarlane, Jim and Stayner, Richard (2016). Final Review Report For the Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA): An Independent Review of the Social and Economic Modelling Inputs to the Northern Basin Review, 12 October 2016. Armidale: University of New England.

I advise that Professor Wheeler and Professor Grafton will be giving evidence to the Commission at public hearings on 3 July and 12 July respectively.

To that end, I extend an invitation to you to check the Commission's website in order to inform yourself of these and other persons giving evidence and any relevant submission and/or witness statement provided to the Commission.

Please feel free to contact the writer, should you wish to seek leave to be represented and/or heard in relation to that evidence – joanne.masters@mdbrc.sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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