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Peter Kramer, Australian Electoral Officer, 200 St Georges Terrace, Perth

Dear Sir,

Result of the 2013 election of Senators for Western Australia

I note that you have extended the time for declaration of the result of the election until 11.30 am on Friday 4 October 2013.

This allows less than 24 hours for an appeal to the Commissioner under s 278(2) of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act* and then a consideration of my options in relation to the result of any such appeal.

I intend to appeal to the Commissioner under s 278(2) of the Commonwealth Electoral Act.

The requirement for the declaration of the result is that it be made 'as soon as conveniently may be' after the result has been ascertained (s 283 of the Act).

I respectfully request that you extend time for the declaration of the result until 24 hours after the decision of the Commissioner. Any earlier would not be 'convenient' as it would not provide a reasonable opportunity to consider the decision of the Commissioner.

Please provide your response to this request by 9 am on Friday 4 October 2013.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature redacted.]

Senator Scott Ludlam Candidate