Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 1 - Population Health

Topic: Wind Farms

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Madigan John

Question:

Have the Victorian wind farms/turbines at Macarthur, Cape Bridgewater, Waubra and Toora been assessed as being in compliance with the acceptable noise standard, conditioned in their planning permits? If they have not been formally assessed as being in compliance with noise standards, then on what basis are they allowed to continue to operate in breach of that condition in their permits? Why have no steps been taken to ensure that this issue is addressed?

Answer:

The National Health and Medical Research Council cannot answer this question as it is the responsibility of the Victorian Government.