

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee
Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio

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Topic: Renewable Energy Certificates – Scientific Research

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Senator Rhiannon asked:

Has any scientific research or analysis been undertaken or commissioned with a view to changing the current rules relating to eligibility for Renewable Energy Certificates?

- a) If yes, who will be doing this
- b) What are the parameters of the study?
- c) When will the conclusion of the report be released, and where will it be available from?
- d) If no, why not?

Answer:

The Department has not commissioned any research and/or analysis to support changes to the current eligibility provisions under the Renewable Energy Target scheme.

- a) Not applicable
- b) Not applicable
- c. Not applicable
- d) The Government has committed to undertaking a review of the Renewable Energy Target in 2014 as per the scheme's legislation. The review will examine the operation and efficiency of the scheme. The arrangements for the review, including the Terms of Reference are being finalised and will be announced in due course.