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Agency - Fair Work Ombudsman

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Question

FWO - enforceable undertakings - need for legal action

Senator ABETZ: You told me that no investigations resulted in the commencement of legal action but I assume you can have enforceable undertakings being entered into without the need for commencement of legal action. I just wanted to make sure that that aspect had been covered off as well. Mr Wilson: Maybe I can resolve that by saying that we will check that information. If we need to elaborate, we will come back to you on that point.

Answer

The Fair Work Ombudsman provided the following response.

The Fair Work Ombudsman can confirm that in 2010/11 no enforceable undertakings were entered into in respect of sham contracting.