

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014**

**Agency – Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority**

**Department of Education Question No. ED0162\_14**

**Senator Penny Wright asked on 20 November 2012, Hansard page 17**

*Refers to previous DEEWR Question No 16 from the inquiry in to the effectiveness of the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (27 June 2013).*

**Question**

**Subject - ACARA - NAPLAN Data**

**Senator WRIGHT:** When ACARA responded to questions on notice in the course of the recent Senate inquiry into the effectiveness of NAPLAN, it stated:

*Simplistic league tables do not promote fair and balanced interpretation and representation of NAPLAN data.* In answers to questions on notice, ACARA stated: *ACARA has used the terms and conditions of the My School website to successfully challenge three commercial entities that published league tables using NAPLAN data.* Can you advise what entities were challenged and when this action occurred?

**Mr Randall:** I will take that on notice so I can give you the correct information about that. I am happy to do that, though.

**Answer**

ACARA has provided the following response.

On review of relevant records, it was determined that ACARA wrote to the owners of two, rather than three, websites about the publication of league tables. These websites were:

- Australia School Ranking (first half of 2010)
- Better Education (first half of 2010).

ACARA also wrote to the owner of a third website in relation to unauthorised use of *My School* website content (but not publication of league tables):

- School Guru (second half 2010).