



Strong banks – strong Australia

## House of Representatives Standing Committee on Economics

### Review of the four major banks (second report)

#### Australian Bankers' Association

**ABA18QW:** What is the legal status of the Code Compliance Monitoring Committee?

**Answer:** The Code Compliance Monitoring Committee (**CCMC**) is an independent compliance monitoring body established under the Code of Banking Practice (**Code**) and owes its existence to the Code.

The CCMC was first established under the 2003 Code as a result of the review of the original 1993 Code and has continued to be the Code's compliance monitoring mechanism since then.

The 2003 Code required Code-subscribing banks to participate in establishing the CCMC. The 2013 Code provides for the continuation of the CCMC and for the ABA in consultation with the CCMC to provide the CCMC with its mandate (CCMC Mandate).

The Code provides for its clause 36 dealing with the CCMC to be read together with the CCMC Mandate for reasons of consistency. The Mandate for the CCMC sets out its three main roles:

- To monitor Code-subscribing banks' compliance with the Code, including conducting its own motion inquiries into one or more Code-subscribing bank's compliance with the Code and reporting on those inquiries.
- To investigate allegations from any person that a Code-subscribing bank has breached the Code.
- To monitor any other aspects of the Code that are referred to the CCMC by the Australian Bankers' Association.