



THE SENATE

**ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

21 May 2021

**Inquiry into the impact of seismic testing on fisheries and the marine environment**  
**Progress report**

On 16 September 2019, the Senate referred an inquiry into the impact of seismic testing on fisheries and the marine environment to the Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and report by 14 May 2020:

On 26 March 2020, the reporting date was extended from 14 May 2020 to the second sitting Wednesday of 2021.

On 11 December 2020, the reporting date was extended to 1 March 2021.

On 9 February 2021, the reporting date was extended from 1 March 2021 to 21 May 2021.

The committee requests an extension of time to report until 10 June 2021 to allow it to consider the evidence received and to conclude its deliberations.

Yours sincerely

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young  
**Chair**