Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Department of Industry, Science and Resources Inquiry into Competition and Consumer (Gas Market Code) Regulations 2023 21 September 2023

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: Department of Industry, Science and Resources

TOPIC: Department meetings on the Gas Code of Conduct

REFERENCE: Question on Notice (Written)

QUESTION No.: 1

Please list all the gas companies and gas lobby groups that the Department met with to discuss the Gas Code of Conduct. Please list the dates and subject matter of each meeting held.

ANSWER

Officials from the Department of Industry, Science and Resources regularly meet with gas companies, peak bodies and gas users to further our purpose of enabling a productive, resilient and sustainable economy.

While the department does not keep a central register of all stakeholder meetings, line areas primarily responsible for the Code met with the following stakeholders between December 2022 and today. Please note this list is non-exhaustive.

- Gas users: Qenos, Adbri, BlueScope, Brickworks, Orica, Dow Chemicals, CSR.
- Gas producers: APLNG, QCLNG, GLNG, Senex, Origin, Woodside, ExxonMobil, Shell, Conoco Philips, Cooper Energy, Beach Energy, Comet Ridge, Inpex, Tokyo Gas, Santos, Petronas, KOGAS, Mitsui and Mitsubishi.
- Peak bodies: Chemistry Australia, Manufacturing Australia, Australian Energy Council, Australian Industry Group (AiG), Energy Users Association of Australia (EUAA), Australian Workers Union, Australian Manufacturing Workers Union (AMWU) and the Australian Energy Producers (formerly APPEA).

In addition to the Code, these meetings often also covered other issues impacting the east coast gas market and energy prices.