

** Following is the information on Gene Ethics that the Chair of the Senate Committee Senator Sterle requested on notice during the hearing on 7/12/18.

1. provide the committee with an address where your office is.

Gene Ethics registered office is at:

22B Edemont Road, Clematis 3782

in the Dandenong Ranges of Victoria.

2. your corporate and business structure.

Gene Ethics ABN is 67 104 140 918. It is a citizen's network, not a business. It is a non-profit Company Limited by Guarantee, first registered with ASIC in 2003. We have an eight person board which consists of interested and committed individuals elected at each AGM. They do not represent any other organisations.

In January 1988, the Australian Conservation Foundation employed Bob Phelps part time as Genetic Engineering Campaigner. Gene Ethics was formed in 1991, under ACF's umbrella, to avoid double dipping from Australian Government grants and Bob was appointed Director. Gene Ethics became independent of ACF in 2003.

3. the qualifications of your staff.

Bob Phelps: BA in psychology and sociology, BA Hons in psychology, Grad Dip Film and TV. Bob has been a campaigner and advocate in various roles for the Australian environment, social justice and peace movements since 1972. Gene Ethics has no other paid staff now.

4. a list of associated stakeholders and/or benefactors.

Gene Ethics has no philanthropic or corporate benefactors. We rely for our modest income solely on the personal generosity of nearly 4,000 individual donors, members and supporters. The Australian community are our constituents.

I trust this satisfies Senator Sterle's inquiry.

Many thanks,

Bob Phelps
Executive Director
Gene Ethics