

## **Senate Select Committee on COVID-19**

### **ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

#### **Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

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**Senator:** Siewert

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#### **Question:**

- a. Please provide a list of all stakeholders that the Working Group or Special Advisors have met with.
- b. Has the Working Group been asked to review and advise on any of these requests outlined in 350.org's Fossil Fuel Watch database?
- c. Please provide a copy of any criteria being used by the Commission / Working Group to assess projects and requests. In particular, has the Working Group been asked to consider the impacts of any proposal on the Australia's capacity to meet its emissions reduction commitments?

#### **Answer:**

- a. Mr Liveris and the Manufacturing Taskforce are engaging with a wide range of stakeholders interested in Australia's manufacturing sector. This engagement is ongoing.
- b. No.
- c. As part of developing its broader economic and business advice to the Government, the Commission is examining a broad range of projects that, in its view, could assist in Australia's economic recovery. The Commission is focused on helping to minimise and mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 on jobs and businesses, and to facilitate the fastest possible recovery of lives and livelihoods.