

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
WWF-Australia
Inquiry into the Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017
6 November 2019

QUESTION: Hansard page 6 – Senator Hanson-Young (Deputy Chair)

Ms Richter: Can I just add something to this? The WWF commissioned some research in 2016 on the impacts of climate change and agriculture, particularly on the Murray-Darling Basin. Given that 40 per cent of Australia's food bowl comes from the Murray-Darling Basin, the findings were very clear that Australia will go from being a net exporter of agriculture to being a net importer of food and agriculture by 2035 if we don't actually stem the worst effects of climate change. That was quite an alarming report then, and of course it happened before we saw the severe drought conditions in place.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Thank you. Could you repeat what the name of that report was?

Ms Richter: I can find it, because it was a report from The University of Melbourne that was done for the WWF for the Earth Hour program.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Can you take that on notice, to send it through to the secretariat?

Ms Richter: Yes, I could do that.

ANSWER:

Please find the link below to the report Appetite for Change written for WWF Australia and Earth Hour.

https://sustainable.unimelb.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0009/2752272/MSSI_AppetiteForChange_Report_2015.pdf

