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Senator WHISH-WILSON: I was reading Mr Hirschhorn's speech recently where he talks about different models for different accounting companies. He has been on the record as saying that some partners in some firms—he won't name who they are—are adopting very aggressive tax minimisation strategies with their large corporate clients. I do note that you have been the accountant, for example, for Santos Australia and Peabody, who, in my understanding, until now were still putting in special-purpose accounts. Is that factually correct?

Mr George: Santos is a public company. Santos would be issuing general-purpose accounts. I don't have the information for Peabody.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: If you could take that on notice.

Answer:

Peabody Australia Holdco Pty Ltd. issued general purpose financial statements for the years ending 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2018.