Question on notice no. 278

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Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts Portfolio

Senator Bridget McKenzie: asked the Airservices Australia on 2 November 2023—

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Answer —

Please find answer attached

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Division/Agency Name: Agency - Airservices Australia

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Topic: AIRSERVICES - Reasoning for ongoing delays to N/S runway at Sydney Airport

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Answer:

The Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts are the delegated authority to grant dispensations for runway maintenance and other critical works at Sydney Airport. Questions relating the works should be directed to the department or Sydney Airport.