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

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Answer —

Please find answer attached

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Division/Agency Name: DIV - International Aviation Technology and Services

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Topic: Impact of noise on schools

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Answer:

- 1. The complete list of schools that were considered as noise sensitive receptors and assessed for noise and other impacts is at Appendix A of Technical Paper 1 (Aircraft Noise) to the airspace and flight path design Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).
- 2. The Noise Insulation and Property Acquisition (NIPA) program specifies the 2040 Australian Noise Exposure Concept (ANEC) 20 composite contour as the primary eligibility contour. There are no schools within the 2040 ANEC 20 composite contour.

In accordance with the NIPA policy specified in the EIS, natural boundary considerations will be applied in determining the final eligibility area. This means that some additional buildings outside the 2040 ANEC 20 composite contour may be included in the final eligibility area, based on the natural boundary rules specified in the EIS.