

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-2011, 20 October 2010

Question: E10-109

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: SOY-BASED INFANT FORMULA DISCUSSIONS

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Senator Xenophon asked:

Can FSANZ provide details of any correspondence, notes of discussions or other related material, with the company concerned where antibiotic resistance marker genes was found in soy-based infant formula?

Answer:

Copies of file notes of discussions between Wyeth, the manufacturers of S-26 Soy infant formula, and FSANZ and other relevant documents are attached.

On the basis of the limited test results available, FSANZ cannot confirm that antibiotic resistance marker genes are present in this product.