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**Senator RICE:** Do you know whether the Hazelwood power station is one of those and has any plans to burn wood from native forests for energy?

**Mr Williamson:** As Mr Purvis-Smith said, we would need to take that on notice—as for the other—in terms of whether or not we can specifically talk about any response from an individual power station. I can certainly say they have never created a large generation certificate at all.

**Answer:**

Hazelwood power station was accredited on 4 May 2005 under the *Renewable Energy (Electricity) Act 2000* to use multiple eligible fuel sources (including wood waste) as the eligible energy sources from which power is intended to be generated. However, Hazelwood has never created any Large-scale Generation Certificates (LGCs) and the Clean Energy Regulator has had no indication that the power station intends to use an eligible fuel source to create LGCs in the future.