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Answers to questions on notice  
**Environment portfolio**

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**Senator Waters asked:**

1. Can the department outline the databases it uses to track and manage project approvals, monitoring and compliance activities under the EPBC Act?
2. Can the department outline which of these databases, or any parts of them, are available to the public or stakeholders?
3. For those that are not publicly accessible, can the department outline the reasons for this?

**Answer:**

1. Environmental assessments and monitoring activities undertaken under the EPBC Act are managed on a Microsoft Dynamics workflow system, called Environment Impact Assessments System.

Compliance activities are undertaken on an IBM iBase system.

2. These systems and databases are designed for internal use only and are not publicly available.

Information relating to referrals and assessments can be obtained by reading through public notices relating to each proposal on the Department's website.

3. Refer to answer (2) above.