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Topic: Telstra copper network

Senator PRATT asked:

Senator PRATT: This is just a follow-up to what I was saying before. Did the minister seek the advice of ACMA under the terms of 8(1)(c) of the act before making statements about the location and cause of faults?

CHAIR: Are you seeking an opinion there?

Senator PRATT: No; it is a question.

Mr Chapman: I am not sure what the question is, sorry.

Senator PRATT: So you are not familiar with what (1)(c) is under your charter? It is 'to report to and advise the Minister in relation to the telecommunications industry'.

CHAIR: Mr Chapman, would you like to take that on notice?

Mr Chapman: We will do that.

Answer:

The Minister has not sought advice from the ACMA under the terms of section 8(1)(c) of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005* regarding the location or cause of faults.