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Senator Ludlam asked:

Senator LUDLAM: That is great. Thank you. Can you just clarify for us the approval process for the DMCP and which minister is responsible for approval of the plan, if you know.

Mr Tayler: I think it would need joint approval from both the Commonwealth minister and the Territory minister.

Senator LUDLAM: You sound about as vague as I was just then. Are you able to check that for us on notice?

Mr Tayler: Certainly.

Answer:

The Ranger Mine Closure Plan requires approval by both the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry and Resources and the Commonwealth Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, with the advice of the Supervising Scientist.