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Senator Waters asked:

Senator WATERS: How many FTEs have you got in 2.3?

Mr Archer: That is a good question. We have a clean energy innovation team. I think it would have an FTE of around seven, but I will confirm that on notice.

Senator WATERS: Has that been steady since the program's formation?

Mr Archer: More or less would be my answer. I guess the size of the teams change as our priorities change and as people come and go. I think it probably has increased over time as we have taken on board the agencies within the portfolio and more fully appreciated some of the work we need to do both in terms of our oversight of those agencies but also on the issues that we deal with together with them in terms of clean energy innovation. I suspect that that number has increased over time.

Senator WATERS: Okay. If you could take on notice the precise figures that would be very helpful.

Answer:

As at 31 May 2017, there were 8.52 FTE staff in the Clean Energy Innovation team. This is an increase from 6.43 FTE staff as at 1 July 2016.