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Senator Waters asked:

Page 9 of the RIS says that the Department's own methods for coming up with the \$426 million figure were "developed in consultation with peak industry groups. The method was revised based on feedback received during this consultation." Did the MCA provide any input on the methods?

Answer:

The Department's method to estimate cost savings to business must be consistent with the requirements of the Australian Government's Regulatory Burden Measurement Framework.

Peak industry groups, including the Minerals Council of Australia, were consulted regarding the method for applying of the Australian Government's Regulatory Burden Measurement Framework. The Minerals Council of Australia provided input on the Department's method as part of that consultation process.