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Senator Back asked:

Can the CER provide some examples that might demonstrate the quality of data quality control from the NGER scheme?

Answer:

The Clean Energy Regulator uses a number of quality control measures to ensure the accuracy and completeness of data reported under the NGER Scheme. These include:

- Education and outreach activities to ensure that reporters are aware of their reporting obligations.

- Proactive case management of large emitters, and reporters with previous reporting anomalies, to support them in meeting their reporting obligations.

- The Emissions and Energy Reporting System (EERS) is an electronic reporting tool which ensures consistent calculations and recording of emissions and energy data, whilst allowing efficient detection and prevention of data anomalies.

- Report assessment and analysis activities using a range of methods, including use of third party information to ensure accuracy and completeness of reported data.

- Mandatory independent pre-submission reasonable assurance audits are required from all large emitters with their liable entity report.

- Voluntary independent pre-submission audits are undertaken and submitted to the Clean Energy Regulator by many reporters.

- Post-submission audits, using risk-based selection methodology, are conducted as part of the annual NGER Audit Programme.