Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment portfolio**

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Programme: Clean Energy Regulator

Topic: WAUBRA WIND FARM - FALSE AND MISLEADING INFORMATION

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Senator Madigan asked:

How will the Clean Energy Regulator respond to the fact that false and misleading information was supplied in the 2010 and subsequent annual electricity generation returns given that an authorised representative of the wind farm operator certified that the information provided was 'a true and accurate representation of facts' and acknowledged that penalties for providing false and misleading information can apply under Section 125E of the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Act 2000?

Answer:

The Clean Energy Regulator is assessing the current information provided by Senator Madigan to determine whether false and misleading information was supplied in the 2010 and subsequent annual electricity generation returns.

The Clean Energy Regulator is investigating the allegations made by Senator Madigan. At this point, the Clean Energy Regulator is not of the view that the 'fact' referred to in the question has been demonstrated.

Please refer to Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014 Questions 225, 226 and 228.