Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment portfolio**

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BASIN PLAN

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Senator Urquhart asked:

On the National Water Commission's role in assessing and reporting on progress of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan - what has been the reaction of the Basin state Governments to this?

Answer:

Only the South Australian and Victorian governments made submissions to the inquiry by the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee into the National Water Commission Abolition Bill (2014). Those submissions centred on the functions of the NWC, particularly the oversight role the Commission played in relation to water reform and implementing the Basin Plan.