## Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment and Energy portfolio** 

Question No: 133

**Hearing**: Supplementary Budget Estimates

Outcome: Outcome 1

**Program**: Environment Standards Division (ESD)

**Topic**: EPBC Referral for Ellerton Drive Extension – Squirrel Gliders

Hansard Page: n/a

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**Question Type**: Written

## Senator Rice, Janet asked:

Is the department aware that the NSW Scientific Committee is investigating reported sightings of endangered squirrel gliders in the vicinity of the proposed alignment of the Ellerton Drive Extension? Has the department had any discussions with the NSW Government, including the Office of Environment and Heritage, about this matter? If so, what was the outcome?

## Answer:

- 1. No.
- 2. No. Squirrel gliders are not a listed threatened species under the *Environment Protection* and *Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*
- 3. Not applicable.