Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

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

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Senator Whish-Wilson, Peter asked:

Has the NSW Government applied for an exemption under the EPBC Act for the 6 month net trial? If so, on what basis?

Answer:

The NSW Government applied for an exemption on 10 November 2016 on the basis of the national interest in accordance with section 158 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).