

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee
Answers to questions on notice
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Senator Rhiannon, Lee asked:

In Finland will the waste disposal be undertaken by a private company or a public owned body?

Answer:

The hexachlorobenzene wastes are planned for destruction at the Ekokem facility in Finland. Since the beginning of September 2016, Ekokem has been a part of the Fortum company, which is 51 per cent owned by the Finnish Government, with the remaining shares held by various private entities.