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Legislation Committee**
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Senator Hume, Jane asked:

Senator HUME: You were talking about the categories of complaints that you had, and one of them was community sourced complaints.

Senator WATERS: Aren't they all community complaints?

Senator HUME: Not necessarily.

Mr Dyer: Community engagement.

Senator HUME: Community engagement, yes.

Mr Dyer: In total, of the 78 complaints we have received, 14 complaints have an issue with community engagement.

Senator HUME: But there were 30-something that were from Victoria—33?

Mr Dyer: I have not got the breakdown. I am happy to provide to you the Victorian breakdown of community engagement. Of the total universe of complaints, 14 of those complaints have issues about community engagement.

Answer:

- Of the 78 complaints received in total by the National Wind Farm Commissioner's office, 14 complaints raised concerns regarding community engagement.
 - Two of those complaints that raised concerns regarding community engagement were about Victorian wind farms. One was an operating wind farm, the other a planned wind farm.