Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

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

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Senator Back, Chris asked:

You state that you have visited wind farms and wind farm communities in Victoria including Cape Bridgewater, Macarthur, Waubra, Hepburn, Bald Hills and the proposed Moorabool wind farm, and in NSW Gullen Range, Gunning, Cullerin Range and the proposed wind farms at Collector and Jupiter. How many times did you meet with the residents who had complaints about each of the wind farms in each area?

Answer:

It varies by wind farm and complaint/complainant, including the stage of the complaint process (for example, a complaint at the conciliation stage of the process could result in multiple meetings with the complainant). The Commissioner does not discuss individual complaints or wind farms.