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**Topic: Fossil fuel energy sources**

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**Senator: Waters, Larissa**

**Question:**

SBT 30 - Senator WATERS: In relation to the resources and energy sector, have you met with representatives of traditional fossil fuel energy sources as well as those of cleaner renewable sources?

Ms J Wilkinson: We have.

Senator WATERS: Can you tell me a bit more about those folks that you met with?

Ms J Wilkinson: In all of these consultations we have been trying to reach out in particular to people who have contacted us through the website. If you like, we have been more responsive to people who have contacted us than in going out and consulting with a wide range of potential project proponents from across all industries. One of the expectations is that the public release of the consultation paper enables that, and it enables people to come forward who may or may not have thought that they were eligible. We have certainly met with one company that would be exclusively in the renewable energy space and one that would be exclusively in the mining space, and another that is in the resource-infrastructure space.

Senator WATERS: Are you able to tell me the names of the companies those people represented?

Ms J Wilkinson: I think we should probably take that on notice. The discussions we have had with all of these firms have been reasonably informal, and we have not advised them that we would be sharing that information more generally, but we are very happy to take that on notice.

**Answer:**

SBT 30 - The Treasury NAIF team met with four companies with substantial operations in the resources and energy sector:

- Adani;
- Aurizon;
- General Electric; and
- Genex Power.