

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Division/Agency: Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Question No: 92

Topic: LNG Exports - Analysis of impact of price differential on investment

Reference: Written

Senator: Whish-Wilson, Peter

Question:

Has the ACCC conducted or commissioned any analysis on how domestic and export gas price differences incentivise investment in further gas export capacity? If yes, please provide.

Answer:

Box 2.2 of the ACCC's "Inquiry into the east coast gas market", April 2016, available <http://www.accc.gov.au/regulated-infrastructure/energy/east-coast-gas-inquiry-2015> discusses signals for additional investment in liquefied natural gas (LNG) plant capacity.

The ACCC commissioned a report in 2009 about the Gorgon Gas Project Joint Venture which discusses aspects of this issue, available <http://registers.accc.gov.au/content/index.phtml/itemId/873291/fromItemId/401858/display/accCorrespondence> under "Gorgon Gas Project Final Report - 24.07.09".