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Question

FWBC - Mr Garvey matters before the court

Senator PATERSON: We were discussing with the department earlier the way in which safety concerns can sometimes be abused in the right of entry system. I want to seek some comments from you on that. There is one case I would like to begin with in particular, which I am going to assume a you are familiar with, the BKH contractors case—sometimes referred to as the smashed railings case.

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Mr Vallence: It is yet to be heard, so it is still tracking towards a trial date. I am not sure that a trial date has yet been set.

Senator PATERSON: Is this the only matter for which Mr Garvey is before the courts? Mr Vallence: I would have to take that on notice.

Answer

Yes.