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Senator: Gallagher

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Question:

Senator GALLAGHER: Can you explain how this is operationalised across the Service? Say an agency is coming up a year beyond—how does that work? Is it with a year to go on their lease that something is triggered? Can you just explain the process for me?

Senator Cormann: We have some published guidelines that we might provide you with, which sort of set it out.

Senator GALLAGHER: Okay. Thank you.

Answer:

Consistent with Resource Management Guide No. 504 *Commonwealth Property Management Framework Lease Endorsement Process*,

<http://www.finance.gov.au/property/property/lease-endorsement/> details the notification and approval requirements for Commonwealth non-corporate entities seeking to enter into lease arrangements.