

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**

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**Question:** 53

**Division/Agency:** Australian Livestock Corporation Limited (LiveCorp)

**Topic:** LGAP

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**Senator STERLE asked:**

Can you provide detail as to how the \$8.3 million will be spent to implement LGAP?

**Answer:**

The Australian Livestock Exporters Council (ALEC) is the peak industry council for the Australian livestock export industry. It is responsible for liaising with the Australian Government on matters relating to LGAP funding.

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**Senator STERLE asked:**

The Government is claiming that the money will be spent to complete the implementation, what consultation has been undertaken with industry stakeholders with regards to the implementation of LGAP?

**Answer:**

LiveCorp has provided the research and development outcomes from the LGAP project to the Australian Livestock Exporters Council (ALEC). As the peak industry council for the livestock export industry, ALEC is responsible for ongoing consultation with industry stakeholders on LGAP implementation. We understand that ALEC members discussed LGAP at its AGM on 26 October 2016 and its members endorsed the establishment of a LGAP implementation committee.

During the research project LiveCorp/Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA) consulted widely with industry stakeholders and provided opportunities for involvement in its development. This included through the convening of an LGAP consultative committee and standards committee and through the established Livestock Export R&D Advisory Committee. LiveCorp also coordinated multiple consultation and briefing opportunities with key stakeholders during and after the project on its progress and outcomes.

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**Senator STERLE asked:**

What part will LiveCorp play in implementing LGAP?

**Answer:**

The Australian Livestock Exporters Council (ALEC) is liaising with the Australian Government concerning the funding and details of LGAP implementation. LiveCorp has also had initial discussions with ALEC about implementation and the potential role for LiveCorp. At this stage, the details of LiveCorp's involvement are not finalised.