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Senator Madigan asked:

Senator MADIGAN: Could you also take on notice what percentage of those funds has been generated from wind farms that have not satisfied the terms of their planning permit conditions?

Ms Munro: Well, I can answer that second part of the question on the spot. As you will recall, we discussed this question exhaustively when we appeared before this committee in November and through following up on some written questions, on which we also responded to the committee. We do not consider that we have issued units to any entities that were operating outside of their consents.

To elaborate on this question, Senator Madigan adds:

1. How many 'units' (LGCs) have been issued to the operators of wind energy power stations that did not submit all required evidence of compliance at the time that Accreditation was granted?

2. How many units (RECs/LGCs) have been issued to Accredited wind energy power stations that have still not provided the CER with evidence that they operate in compliance with all conditions of approval and all relevant approval processes of all Local, State/Territory and Commonwealth laws?

Answer:

1. Nil. All owners of power stations submitted the required documentation at the time of accreditation.
2. As above