

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS – 2-3 JUNE 2003

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

COMCARE

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome: Comcare

Question Number: W061-04

Question:

Senator Carr asked in writing:

On what technical basis was the incorrect advice regarding the adequacy of the personal protective and respiratory equipment provided to Mr Robinson and other HVAC maintenance staff provided to the Ombudsman?

Answer:

The view expressed to the Ombudsman that the photographic evidence appeared to confirm the use of appropriate personal protective and respiratory equipment was based on the MSDS for the product in use at the time of the original investigation (#1913), CLS5 (copy attached), and advice from the investigator. The Ombudsman subsequently indicated that he did not agree with Comcare's view.