SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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COMCARE

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Question Number: W174-04

Question:

Senator Carr asked in writing:

How many investigations did Comcare conduct in relation to this complaint before Comcare conducted standard testing and confirmed the contamination?

Answer:

None. Whilst Comcare had made inquiries in relation to the incident that occurred in 2000, no formal investigations under the *Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act 1991* (the Act) had previously been conducted. However, as indicated in the response to W173-04, Comcare had made inquiries of the NGA and was satisfied that, based on the information available at the time of its inquiries, the NGA had met its duties under the Act.