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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Question: (Senator Milne)

Senator MILNE—Can you take on notice how many payments are outstanding beyond 30 days?

Mr Thompson—Yes.

Answer:

Under the application procedure for rebates under the Solar Homes and Communities Plan (page 6 of the Program Guidelines), applicants are advised that “Payment terms for rebates are generally six weeks from the receipt of a fully and correctly completed residential installation report.”

As at 30 March 2010, there were 1,105 payments on installation reports outstanding beyond six weeks. In addition, there were 1,483 installation reports assessed as incomplete, where follow up action has been required before any rebate can be processed.

The six-week timeframe applies from the date the Department receives a complete and correct installation report.