

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Answers to Questions on Notice

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Question: P7

Topic: Forecourt Reconstruction

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Senator BRANDIS—Was there a variation to the subcontract to provide for the different manner in which the work was completed?

Ms Penfold—Originally? I have no idea. Again, we can inspect our records for that.

Answer:

Information required to answer this question is held by National Archives of Australia. Most of the files are held in Sydney, and it takes several days to obtain a file each time a request is made. After researching several files to date, the department can confirm that there were significant disputes related to the work but cannot define what the disputes were or whether the resolution resulted in variations.

The department is continuing to research the answer to this question.