

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0662) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Hanson-Young (written) asked:

What is the DIAC proposing will be done with the runoff reject brine? Are detainees currently showering in salty water? How long is this intended to remain the case?

Answer:

The runoff brine is pumped back into the ocean at high tide as per industry standards.

Detainees shower in potable water.