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Mr THISTLETHWAITE: So in terms of the investigation that the ACCC undertook into speeds that were being sold that couldn't be delivered, and the subsequent action that you took against Telstra and Optus, was that investigation initiated by the ACCC, or was it a request from the government?

Mr Sims: I'll take that on notice. The essence of the matter is that it was something that we were aware of but we also did get correspondence from the minister asking us to look at various things. I can't remember now. I'll come back to you on that. It was an issue that we were aware of, but I'm pretty sure we did get a letter from the minister as well.

Mr THISTLETHWAITE: If you could take that on notice and provide the date of that letter from the minister, that would be helpful.

Mr Sims: Yes.

Answer: The relevant investigation was initiated by the ACCC.