



THE SENATE
Senate Economics Legislation Committee

**Inquiry into Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Legislation
Amendment (Safety and Other Measures) Bill 2024 [Provisions]**

**Answers to written questions on notice by Santos, asked by
Senator Dorinda Cox on 14 March 2024, received 18 March 2024**

Question:

Part 2 of Schedule 2 of this bill is now the second piece of legislation introduced by the government after intense pressure from Santos and Japanese and South Korean joint venture partners to facilitate the development of the Barossa since the passage of the Safeguard Mechanism changes. To understand the origins and apparent urgency of this legislation, can it be confirmed or denied that Ms Tracey Winters encouraged JERA Co Inc or members of the Japanese government (who are owners of JERA Co) to publicly and privately pressure the Albanese Government after the Safeguard Mechanism changes?

Answer:

Santos rejects the premise of this question and refers the Senator back to the answers provided in the committee hearing.

Question:

What is Santos' position on the right to free, prior and informed consent as contained in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples?

Answer:

Santos refers Senator Cox to Santos' public submission to the DISR inquiry. Our submission can be found here when the submissions are released <https://consult.industry.gov.au/offshore-petroleum-consultation-requirements>

Question:

What is Santos' position on the right of First Nations people to manage and protect their sea country?

Answer:

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