

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question:

[In the NICNAS review] was there any indication of the need for increased cost to make all of this happen in the review discussion with all of the stakeholders?

Answer:

During consultations in 2013 and 2014, stakeholders were advised that the National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS) cost recovery impact statement would be revised in the context of any decision made by the Government. The costs associated with the implementation of the reform package announced as part of the 2015 Budget is expected to be offset by benefits that would accrue from the implementation of the reforms.