

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: WIND FARMS - INFRASOUND

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Senator: Senator Back

Question:

Is the NHMRC aware of the United States National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Literature review of the effects of Infrasound in 2001 which lists numerous consequences of infrasound exposure, especially chronic exposure, and which makes it clear there is a need for further research?

Answer:

The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) is undertaking a systematic review of the published literature on wind farms and human health from 1981 onwards which will include the consideration of:

- Published peer reviewed scientific literature;
- Government reports; and
- Other material received during the call for submissions from 28 August to 29 September 2012

The article or report referred to by Senator Back will be included in the review.