

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 – PROFESSOR LEVENTHALL

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Senator: Senator Back

Question:

Is the NHMRC aware of the report done for the British Department of the Environment Food and Rural Affairs by Professor Leventhall, which was a well-regarded authoritative reference concerning the adverse impacts of low frequency noise on human health?

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 27 August to 28 September 2012.

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