

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Senator: Senator Back

Question:

Is the NHMRC aware of Dr Daniel Shepherd's paper published a year ago in the peer reviewed journal Noise and Health which confirmed that sleep deprivation and adverse health quality of life were present in the neighbours of wind turbines compared to other rural residents?

Answer:

The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) has commissioned a systematic review on wind farms and human health. The NHMRC is aware of this article and it will be included in the systematic review.

All the articles or reports referred to by Senator Back will be included in the review.