Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment portfolio**

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Senator Back asked:

Please provide as much detail regarding numbers and the categories within the large and small scale as possible.

- a. How many RET certificates have been issued to date since the scheme was introduced in 2001?
- b. Will you please provide the total number of RET certificates from inception of the scheme to when the scheme was split into Large-scale and Small-scale?
- c. Will you please provide the total number of Large-scale RET certificates (LGCs) that have been issued since the split to date?
- d. Will you please provide the total number of Small-scale certificates that have been issued since the split to date?

Answer:

- a. The Renewable Energy Target (RET) scheme was introduced in 2001. Since its inception, 82,861,982 renewable energy certificates including large-scale generation certificates (LGCs) have been registered for accredited RET power stations and 167,461,096 certificates for deemed small-scale systems as of 11 June 2014.
- b. From the commencement of the RET scheme to its split on 1 January 2011 into the Large-scale Renewable Energy Target and the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme, 43,604,763 renewable energy certificates had been registered by accredited RET power stations and 42,627,741 certificates for deemed small-scale systems had been registered.
- c. From 1 January 2011, 39,257,219 LGCs have been registered by accredited RET power stations.
- d. From 1 January 2011 to 11 June 2014, 124,833,355 certificates for deemed small-scale systems have been registered.