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Senator Rhiannon, Lee asked:

If this waste transfer goes ahead when will the first shipment leave Botany and how long will it take to reach Finland? How much intractable toxic waste is stored at Orica's Botany site?

Answer:

Under Orica's Basel export permit, the single shipment of hexachlorobenzene wastes must be completed by 30 June 2017.

Orica has advised the Department that their Botany Industrial Park site currently holds around 15,000 tonnes of hexachlorobenzene and chlorinated wastes containing hexachlorobenzene.