

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

**TOPIC:** Electronic Public Record – Icon for New Investigations

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Carr

**QUESTION No.:** BI-166

In relation to the Commission's practice of an electronic public record (current cases) places a 'new' icon next to a case when a new document has been uploaded related to an investigation:

- a. How long is the new icon next to the investigation in question?
- b. Is there a standard time for the new icon to remain?
- c. Industry feedback suggests that this feature has been inconsistently applied in terms of how long it is left up. Is there any reason for this?
- d. Did the Electronic Public Record Working Group agree to a protocol for this feature?
- e. When did the Electronic Public Record Working Group last meet - and was this matter discussed or any other improvements to the system which may help interested parties know that a document has been loaded (such as an email alert to parties who register)? If so, what was the outcome?

**ANSWER**

- a. On the Electronic Public Record<sup>1</sup> (EPR) the 'new' icon generally stays next to the investigation in question for three working days. In certain cases this icon may appear for longer (i.e. due to weekend and public holidays). This timeframe is noted on the Anti-Dumping Commission's website at [www.adcommission.gov.au](http://www.adcommission.gov.au).
- b. See response a.
- c. See response a. Industry has not raised any concerns regarding the application of the 'new' icon feature directly with the Commission.
- d. The 'new' icon was implemented when the Commission's new website was launched in July 2013. This occurred after the last EPR Working Group meeting which was held in May 2013. The EPR Working Group had requested that an icon be added to the website to indicate when the EPR had last been updated.
- e. The EPR Working Group last meet on 8 May 2013. The 'new' icon was not discussed at this meeting. The EPR Working Group had raised the possibility of an email alert system. The Commission is considering the feasibility of this option, including the relevant technology requirements.

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<sup>1</sup> The EPR is accessed on the Anti-Dumping Commission's website at [www.adcommission.gov.au](http://www.adcommission.gov.au).