Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Agency – Australian Building and Construction Commission

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Question

ABCC - Length of time agreement has sat with ABCC

Senator CAMERON: Still, there could be agreements that take 10 weeks. What is the longest time that an agreement has sat in the ABCC, or the Fair Work Building Commission? How long? What is the longest?

Ms Cato: I do not know the exact answer to that. This new law came in on 2 December so—

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Senator CAMERON: What is the longest that you have had an agreement waiting to be processed?

Ms Cato: My best guess is 10 weeks. Senator CAMERON: Ten weeks?

Ms Cato: Yes. That is my best guess, but I could take that on notice.

CHAIR: Would you like to take that on notice to get an accurate figure for us?

Ms Cato: Yes. I am happy to do that.

Answer

14 weeks in respect of the 2013 Building Code.