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Senator Allison asked on 4 June 2003, EWRE Hansard pages 376-377

Question:

There is also, I understand, a problem with the organisational structure shown in appendix E1 of the GHD report, which shows Geoprojects as subcontractors to ACS. Page H4 of appendix H of the GHD report shows reports of investigations initiated by GHD with item 50 being a report by Geoprojects. Geoprojects also undertook another project under contract to GHD, and that was to identify a source of water to supervise the sinking of a bore at that place. This is small in the scheme of things, but the point I would like to make is that there are such errors through the report. Page 58 says that Geoprojects undertook work on behalf of the department and MARTAC. But it was also the case that Geoprojects undertook work directly under contract to the project manager. Would that be your understanding too?

Answer:

Geoprojects work.

The Maralinga Rehabilitation Technical Advisory Committee (MARTAC) reports in Chapter 2 of the MARTAC report the work which Geoprojects undertook both on their behalf and on behalf of the Department. The project manager reports the work undertaken by Geoprojects directly for the project manager.