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AGENCY: Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation

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Senator Forshaw asked on 4 June 2003, EWRE Hansard page 308

Question:

Is the spent fuel still owned by ANSTO and then sold back to COGEMA? How much is the spent fuel worth?

Answer:

ANSTO has provided the following response.

Value of the spent fuel

The amount is commercially confidential, but is a small nominal amount as the ANSTO spent fuel will be reprocessed by COGEMA together with light water reactor fuel, reducing the enrichment level to less than 2% which is of minimal value.