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**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2003-2004 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

AGENCY: Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation

DEST Question No. E404_04

Senator Carr asked on 6 November 2003:

Question:

Since the breaches associated with the reactor pool liner have any other suspected breaches been identified by ANSTO?

Have any suspected breaches or other issues relating to the construction and fit-out of the new reactor been brought to the attention of ARPANSA?

Answer:

ANSTO has provided the following response:

No, there has only been one breach of licence conditions (which was by the contractor). That breach was reported under section 61 of the ARPANS Act by the CEO of ARPANSA as part of his quarterly report to Parliament for the period 1 October to 31 December 2002.

All issues of safety significance are brought to the attention of ARPANSA.