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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 3

Output Group: 3.2 - Assistance for collaboration and innovation

DEST Question No. E543_07

Senator Crossin provided in writing.

Question:

In relation to the Muckaty site, has:

- a) Any Commonwealth agency or contractor done any analysis or assessment work in relation to the Muckaty site?
- b) Are you aware of any reports of scientific teams perhaps seismologists looking at the Muckaty site or others in the Barkly region in the last few weeks?
- c) Are they there on the commonwealth government's behalf for any reason?
- d) Based on your experience from the current site assessments how long would be needed to examine a newly nominated site?
- e) Would you encourage work on a site before nomination to see if it might be suitable?
- f) What is the status of the potential site at Muckaty Station?

Answer:

Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Facility

- a) No.
- b) No.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) The length of time would depend on the site nominated.
- e) No
- f) No site nominations have been received.