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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2008-09 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome Agency – Office of the Australian Building and Construction

Commissioner

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Senator Cameron provided in writing

Question

Econtech Report

The ABCC conceded that there were errors in the 2007 study. Will you provide details of the errors and the implications of these errors for the findings in this study?

Answer

The Office of the Australian Building & Construction Commissioner has provided the following response.

A single error in the 2007 study was discussed in the Committee hearing of 23 October 2008. No other errors have been identified in the 2007 study.

The 2008 study confirms the findings of the 2007 study. The examination of various data and studies shows that the productivity performance of the building and construction industry has improved significantly over recent years.