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Question

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Senator ABETZ: Coming back to FWBC, why don't we call it the inspectorate? Why do we call it FWBC? Who made the decision that you would be referred to as FWBC?

Mr Johns: I will have to confirm it, but I understand the process was that a request went up first through the minister's office and then it went up through the department and went up through I think PM&C in order for the agency to operate under the name Fair Work Building and Construction as opposed to its statutory name, which is the Office of the Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate.

Answer

Fair Work Building and Construction has provided the following response.

The decision was made by the Hon Bill Shorten MP, Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations, on the advice of the then Australian Building and Construction Commissioner.