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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Question: (Senator Birmingham)

Senator BIRMINGHAM—When was the first invoice paid?

Ms Mackie—As I understand it, we received invoices over the September, October, November and December period. We have paid those invoices, but we do not have the breakdown in the timing to the different institutions for those payments.

Senator Wong—We can take that on notice to see if we can find out any further information if we have it.

Senator BIRMINGHAM—If you could provide some indication of how long it has taken to be paid, that would be appreciated. One thousand and eight have been received and paid. There are none outstanding at present?

Ms Mackie—We will take that on notice, but my understanding is that we have paid that tranche of loans that have come in.

Answer:

The first payment to financial institutions was made on 1 February 2010. The Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts is committed to paying all correctly submitted invoices within 30 days.