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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Topic: Changes to CPRS requested by State Governments

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Question:

Senator RYAN—I appreciate that. I am interested in exploring the issue, fully understanding that different states will likely have different priorities with respect to their industrial bases, even their environmental bases. What if any specific changes has the state government of Victoria requested to the government's program?

Senator Wong—I am not going to go into detail of what may or may not have been requested by a state government, other than what is on the public record. If you want me to do that, I will take that on notice and consider it...

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Senator RYAN—...Could I ask that you also take this on notice. I am interested in the requests that have been made for changes to the government's CPRS by the six state governments.

Senator Wong—I will take it on notice and I will give it due consideration.

Answer:

The Government has undertaken extensive consultation in developing the CPRS, including through publication of a Green Paper, a White Paper and exposure draft legislation for public comment. State and Territory Governments made a number of requests for modifications to the CPRS through submissions on the Green Paper and exposure draft CPRS bills. A copy of those submissions is attached.