

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION SERVICE

Question No. 42

Senator Brandis asked the following question at the hearing on 25 May 2010:

Please table the letter to the Department of Finance and Deregulation requesting that its Minister consider waiving Catalyst Chemical Pty Ltd's debt.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

Attached is the letter to the Department of Finance and Deregulation. The letter refers to six attachments. Attachment A and B are copies of letters to Catalyst Chemicals Pty Ltd (Catalyst). Catalyst has agreed to these being tabled. Attachments C, D, E and F are not included as they reveal details about companies other than Catalyst.

The Minister for Finance and Deregulation has considered the request and he has subsequently agreed to waive a substantial portion of the debt.