

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 175

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2005:

- a) Could you provide a copy of any and all email and other correspondence between Lionel Woodward, Phil Burns and Murray Harrison since October 12 relating to the Cargo Management Re-engineering project?
- b) Could you provide a copy of any and all correspondence or emails between the Australian Customs Service since October 12 to software developers or their representatives relating to the Cargo Management Re-engineering project?
- c) Could you provide a copy of any and all correspondence including emails since October 12 between the Australian Customs Service and P&O, Patricks and their representatives relating to the Cargo Management Re-engineering Project?
- d) Could you provide a copy of any and all correspondence including emails since October 12 between the Australian Customs Service and the Australian Quarantine Inspection Service relating to the implementation of the Cargo Management Re-engineering Project?

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

- a,b,c,d) The resources involved in obtaining these documents potentially within the scope of the request make it impractical for Customs to respond as it would need to obtain permission from all parties who provided email and other correspondence to Customs.