Inquiry into foreign investment by state-owned entities

On 18 March 2009, the Senate referred the following matters to the Standing Committee on Economics for inquiry and report by 17 September 2009:

- a) the international experience of sovereign wealth funds and state-owned companies, their role in acquisitions of significant shareholdings of corporations, and the impact and outcomes of such acquisitions on business growth and competition; and
- b) the Australian experience of foreign investment by sovereign wealth funds and state-owned companies in the context of Australia's foreign investment arrangements.

The Committee invites written submissions which should be sent to:

Committee Secretary Senate Economics Committee Department of the Senate PO Box 6100 Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600 Australia

The closing date for submissions is Friday, 24 April 2009.

The Committee requests that where possible, submissions should also be provided by email to <u>economics.sen@aph.gov.au</u>. Notes to assist in preparing submissions are available from the website <u>http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/committee/wit_sub/index.htm</u> or telephone the Secretariat on 02 6277 3540, fax: 02 6277 5719, or email at the above address.

Once the Committee accepts your submission, it becomes a confidential committee document and is protected by Parliamentary Privilege. You must not release your submission without the Committee's permission. If you do, it is not protected by Parliamentary Privilege. At some stage during the inquiry, the Committee normally makes submissions public. Please indicate if you want your submission to be kept confidential.

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