SENATE FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION REFERENCES COMMITTEE

Inquiry into the relationship between the Central Land Council and Centrecorp Aboriginal Investment Corporation Pty Ltd ('Centrecorp')

Terms of reference

On 14 May 2009, the Senate referred the following matter to the Finance and Public Administration References Committee for inquiry and report by 11 August 2009:

- (a) the relationship between the Central Land Council and Centrecorp Aboriginal Investment Corporation Pty Ltd ('Centrecorp');
- (b) the committee must inquire into and report upon:
 - (i) the financial and management relationship between the Central Land Council and Centrecorp, including (without limitation) any equitable relationship between those entities,
 - (ii) whether taxpayers' funds have been paid or transferred to Centrecorp and how those monies have been treated in the accounts of the Central Land Council and Centrecorp,
 - (iii) the nature and extent of Centrecorp's business activities,
 - (iv) Centrecorp's sources of revenue,
 - (v) the beneficiaries of Centrecorp business and other activities and any additional revenue it receives,
 - (vi) the nature and extent of Centrecorp disbursements to any charitable trusts or like entities.
 - (vii) the extent to which any Centrecorp beneficiaries and the Central Land Council are informed of Centrecorp's business activities,
 - (viii) how Aboriginal Australians living in the Central Australia region benefit from Centrecorp's business and charitable operations, and
 - (ix) all other matters considered necessary by the committee; and
- (c) the committee must hear evidence inter alia from:
 - (i) the Central Land Council,
 - (ii) the Auditor-General, and
 - (iii) Centrecorp.