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**From:**  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 February 2013 5:00 PM  
**To:**  
**Subject:** FW: notice of matters - ministerial release 'Safety First Following Victorian Quake'  
[SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

FYI – Abetz to raise Sam's Victorian Earthquake press release of 19 June 2012 with Treasury at Senate Estimates.

Questions are:

what time was this released? ;

have there been any similar releases into other similar matters? ;

who did the Minister speak to (in relation to this release and matters raised)?

Press release:

<http://www.treasurer.gov.au/DisplayDocs.aspx?doc=pressreleases/2012/033.htm&pageID=003&min=brs&Year=&DocType=0>

[http://billshorten.com.au/category/media\\_releases/page/18](http://billshorten.com.au/category/media_releases/page/18)

Markets Group are appearing at 4-6pm Wednesday.

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**From:**  
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FYI as discussed. We are drafting a brief for the Treasury appearance.

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 February 2013 12:10 PM  
**To:**  
**Subject:** RE: notice of matters - ministerial release 'Safety First Following Victorian Quake' [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Hi ,

The press release was sent out to the media at 10:50pm 19 June 2012 and uploaded to the web on 20 June. The release came directly from the Minister's office to the Publications Team.

Thanks

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**From:**  
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**Subject:** RE: notice of matters - ministerial release 'Safety First Following Victorian Quake' [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Could you check the time this went out and let me know?

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**From:** Senate Estimates  
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**To:**  
**Subject:** notice of matters - ministerial release 'Safety First Following Victorian Quake' [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]  
**Importance:** High

Good morning ,

Please see the below email from the Senate Economics Committee regarding Senator Abetz's notice to raise questions at estimates on Minister Shorten's 'Safety First Following Victorian Quake' release.

Grateful if you could advise ASAP whether questions on this issue are appropriately raised in the Markets Group session and that a witness will be available to answer questions.

Thanks

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**Subject:** notice of matters - ministerial release 'Safety First Following Victorian Quake'  
**Importance:** High

Hi ,

We've just received a notice of matters from Senator Abetz's office. They are asking where to direct questions regarding a ministerial release (they presume it would be appropriate to ask them in the Macro group session, but they're not sure).

The questions concern a ministerial release by the Hon. Bill Shorten MP, dated 19 June 2012, called '*Safety First Following Victorian Quake*', found at:

<http://www.treasurer.gov.au/DisplayDocs.aspx?doc=pressreleases/2012/033.htm&pageID=003&min=brs&Year=&DocType=0>

The questions are along the lines: what time was this released? ; have there been any similar releases into other similar matters? ; who did the Minister speak to (in relation to this release and matters raised)?

Please let me know as soon as possible as to where these questions could be asked. Senator wants to make sure that there are officers present at the hearing who could respond to these questions.

Many thanks,

I A/g Research/Estimates Officer

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