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DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Automotive Transformation Scheme – National Interest Provisions

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Senator KIM CARR: Of course. How many firms have applied for national interest provisions?

Dr B Williams: To date, there are 12 that have been allowed on national interest provisions and there are currently three requests in train.

Senator KIM CARR: Is it the case that the national interest provisions apply for only one year? Or is it two?

Dr B Williams: I believe it is up to two years.

Senator KIM CARR: Of the 12 that have been allowed, how many of them have already passed two years or are in their second year?

Dr B Williams: I need to take that on notice.

Senator KIM CARR: How many have been unsuccessful?

Dr B Williams: Again, I need to take that on notice.

Senator KIM CARR: Thank you very much.

ANSWER

Thirteen applications from ten firms have been approved under the national interest provisions. Three firms gained approval twice; each for a separate time period.

Three participants are currently in their second year. One participant has passed their second year.

Two firms have been unsuccessful in obtaining national interest approval.