

Appendix 1

The Senate BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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It should be noted that times allocated for the consideration of outcomes, items and agencies within portfolios are indicative only.

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS Legislation Committee

Public Hearings: Additional Estimates for 2010-11

Monday, 21 and Tuesday, 22 February 2011

Committee Room 2S3
Parliament House
Canberra ACT

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AGENDA

MONDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2011

	Climate Change and Energy Efficiency Portfolio
	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency (DCCEE)
9.00 am	General questions of the Department
	Outcome 1: Reduction of Australia's greenhouse gas emissions, adaptation to the impacts of climate change, and negotiation of an effective global solution, through the development and implementation of a national response to climate change; and bilateral, regional and multilateral engagement internationally
	<i>Program 1.1: Reducing Australia's greenhouse gas emissions</i>
	<i>Program 1.2: Improving Australia's Energy Efficiency</i>
	<i>Program 1.3: Adapting to Climate Change</i>
	<i>Program 1.4: Helping to shape a global climate change solution</i>

	<p>Office of the Renewable Energy Regulator Outcome 1: Administer and regulate the national Renewable Energy Target scheme to encourage increased renewable electricity generation <i>Program 1.1: Renewable Energy Certificate Management</i> <i>Program 1.2: Managing Compliance with Legislation</i></p>
7.00 pm approx	<p>Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities Portfolio</p>
	<p>Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (DSEWPaC)</p>
	<p>General questions of the Department</p>
	<p>Outcome 1: The conservation and protection of Australia's terrestrial and marine biodiversity and ecosystems through supporting research, developing information, supporting natural resource management, regulating matters of national environmental significance and managing Commonwealth protected areas</p>
	<p>Office of Supervising Scientist</p>
	<p>Director of National Parks Outcome 1: Conservation and appreciation of Commonwealth reserves through the provision of safe visitor access, the control of invasive species and working with stakeholders and neighbours <i>Program: Parks and Reserves</i></p>
	<p>Bureau of Meteorology Outcome 1: Informed safety, security, and economic decisions by Governments, industry, and the community through the provision of information, forecasts, services and research relating to weather, climate and water <i>Program 1.1: Bureau of Meteorology</i> <i>Program 1.2: Modernisation and Extension of Hydrological Monitoring Systems</i></p>
	<p>Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority Outcome 1: The long-term protection, ecologically sustainable use, understanding and enjoyment of the Great Barrier Reef for all Australians and the international community, through the care and development of the Marine Park <i>Program 1.1: Improving the outlook for the Great Barrier Reef</i></p>
	<p>Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Outcome 1: Enhanced appreciation and understanding of the natural and cultural values of Sydney for all visitors, through the remediation, conservation and adaptive re-use of, and access to, Trust lands on Sydney Harbour <i>Program 1.1: Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Business</i></p>
	<p><i>Program 1.1: Sustainable Management of Natural Resources</i></p>
	<p><i>Program 1.2: Environmental Regulation, Information and Research</i></p>

	Outcome 2: Improved capacity of Australian communities and industry to protect the environment by promoting waste reduction and regulating hazardous substances, wastes, pollutants, ozone depleting substances and synthetic greenhouse gases
	<i>Program 2.1: Reduction and management of wastes, hazardous substances, pollutants, ozone depleting substances and synthetic greenhouse gases</i>
	Outcome 3: Advancement of Australia's strategic, scientific, environmental and economic interests in the Antarctic by protecting, administering and researching the region
	<i>Program 3.1: Antarctic Science, Policy and Presence</i>
	Outcome 6: Advance the sustainability of Australia's population, communities and environment through coordination and development of sustainable population and communities policies and supporting affordable housing⁶
	<i>Program 6.1: Affordable Housing</i>
	Outcome 5: Participation in, and access to, Australia's culture and heritage through developing and supporting cultural expression, and protecting and conserving Australia's heritage⁷ Outcome 7: Increase protection, awareness and appreciation of Australia's heritage through the identification, conservation and celebration of natural, indigenous and historic places of national and World Heritage significance
	<i>Program 5.2: Conservation and Protection of Australia's Heritage</i> <i>Program 7.1: Conservation and Protection of Australia's Heritage</i>
<u>TUESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2011</u>	
	<i>In continuation</i> Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities Portfolio (SEWPaC)
9.00 am	Outcome 4: Adaptation to climate change, wise water use, secure water supplies and improved health of rivers, waterways and freshwater ecosystems by supporting research, and reforming the management and use of water

⁶ The SEWPaC Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements, at p. 39, states "Outcome 6 is a new Outcome resulting from the Machinery of Government Change, with Housing moving from the Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Population from the Department of the Treasury".

⁷ The SEWPaC Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements, at pp 38-39, states "the Arts and Culture Program 5.1 in Outcome 5 has been transferred to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet as a result of the Machinery of Government Changes. Due to the timing of the Machinery of Government Changes and the reporting requirements, all funding appropriated in the 2010-11 Portfolio Budget Statements remains in Outcome 5 for this Additional Estimates process and is reported in these statements. Additions or changes to Program 5.2 appropriations since the 2010-11 Budget, and estimates for the forward years, are reported in these statements as new Outcome 7: Conservation and Protection of Australia's Heritage".

	resources
	<p>Murray-Darling Basin Authority</p> <p>Outcome 1: Equitable and sustainable use of the Murray-Darling Basin by governments and the community including through development and implementation of a Basin Plan, operation of the River Murray system, shared natural resource management programs, research, information and advice</p> <p><i>Program 1.1: Equitable and sustainable use of the Murray-Darling Basin</i></p>
	Program 4.1: Water Reform
	<p>National Water Commission</p> <p>Outcome 1: Informed decisions by governments on national water issues, and improved management of Australia's water resources, through advocacy, facilitation and independent advice</p> <p><i>Program 1.1: Water Reform</i></p>
2.00 pm approx	Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy Portfolio
	Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy (DBCDE)
	General questions of the department
	Outcome 1—Develop a vibrant, sustainable and internationally competitive broadband, broadcasting and communications sector, through policy development, advice and program delivery, which promotes the digital economy for all Australians
	Australia Post
	<p>Australian Broadcasting Corporation</p> <p>Outcome 1: Informed, educated and entertained audiences—throughout Australia and overseas—through innovative and comprehensive media and related services</p> <p><i>Program 1.1: ABC Radio</i></p> <p><i>Program 1.2: ABC Television</i></p> <p><i>Program 1.3: Online</i></p> <p>Outcome 2: Audience access to ABC satellite and analog terrestrial radio and television transmission services is, at a minimum, maintained year-on-year through the management of Transmission Service Agreements</p> <p><i>Program 2.1: ABC Analog Transmission</i></p> <p>Outcome 3: Audience access to ABC digital television services is provided, in accordance with Government approved implementation policy, through the roll-out and maintenance of the associated distribution and transmission infrastructure</p> <p><i>Program 3.1: Access to Digital Television Services</i></p> <p>Outcome 4: Audience access to ABC digital radio services is provided, in accordance with Government approved implementation policy, through the rollout and maintenance of the associated distribution and transmission infrastructure</p> <p><i>Program 4.1: Access to Digital Radio Services</i></p>
	<p>Special Broadcasting Service</p> <p>Outcome 1: Provide multilingual and multicultural services that inform, educate and entertain all Australians and in so doing reflect Australia's</p>

	multicultural society <i>Program 1.1: Television</i> <i>Program 1.2: Radio</i> <i>Program 1.3: Analogue Transmission and Distribution</i> <i>Program 1.4: Digital Television Transmission and Distribution</i> <i>Program 1.5: Digital Radio Transmission and Distribution</i>		
	Australian Communications and Media Authority Outcome 1: A communications and media environment that balances the needs of the industry and the Australian community through regulation, education and advice <i>Program 1.1: Communications regulation, planning and licensing</i> <i>Program 1.2: Consumer safeguards, education and information</i>		
	<i>Program 1.2: Telecommunications, Online and Postal Services</i>		
	<i>Program 1.3: Broadcasting and Digital Television</i>		
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	<i>Program 1.1: Broadband and Communications infrastructure</i>		
11.00 pm	Adjournment		
BREAKS	Morning tea	10.45 am approx	
	Lunch	1.00 pm	2.00 pm
	Afternoon tea	3.45 pm approx	
	Dinner	6.00 pm	7.00 pm
	Tea break	9.00 pm approx	

