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AI-1	Boswell	DITR	15/02/2007	<p><i>Ethanol – Amount Sold Month-by-Month</i></p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—CSR and Rocky Point are in production, and Lemon Tree is not. How much ethanol was actually sold in December?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—I do not have that figure for month-by-month. That is something I might be able to get for you on notice.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—Could I have that, please.</p>	E94	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-2	Boswell	DITR	15/02/2007	<p><i>E10-Compatible Stickers</i></p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—What percentage of new car manufacturers are putting E10-compatible labels on their vehicles? Would you have that information?</p> <p>Mr Peel—No, that is not something we can answer.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—Yes, I do not even know whether you could even find that out, could you?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—We can attempt to answer that question for you tomorrow. My understanding is that the four domestic manufacturers have committed to the government to include E10-compatible stickers on those vehicles. So the four domestic manufacturers do have E10-compatible stickers on their vehicles, and my recollection is that they committed to do that from about January 2006. There is a very broad range of importers, some of whom have committed to do it; others have not. The people from the Manufacturing, Engineering and Construction Division may be able to provide us with an answer on that. We do not have them here tonight.</p>	E96	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-3	Boswell	DITR	15/02/2007	<p><i>Biofuels</i></p>	E96	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Senator BOSWELL—What applications have been received from fuel retailers to upgrade their fuel delivery service for biofuels?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I think we have received one application to date.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—Only one?</p> <p>Mr Peel—Yes.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—Who was that from?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I do not have the name of the applicant here.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—Mr Peel, I would like to have that.</p> <p>Mr Peel—I can take that on notice.</p>				
AI-4	Boswell	DITR	15/02/2007	<p><i>Ethanol</i></p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—You have given us the figures for ethanol. What percentage of the ethanol sold has gone to the four major oil companies?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—We do not have that information here.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—Would you be able to get that information for us?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—It is something we could check, but I cannot be sure that we do have that information.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—You must have the information if you are paying a production subsidy?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—That is right. We may have that information, but I am not absolutely sure.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—If someone said they had sold one million litres or whatever, you must ask, ‘Who have you sold it to?’</p> <p>Mr Sexton—That would probably be reasonable, but I am not sure. What we are doing is reimbursing the sale excise tax on these things.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—Yes, but obviously you just do not accept the word, I would imagine, of CSR saying, ‘We have sold 100 million</p>	E96-E97	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>litres; please send a cheque.'</p> <p>Mr Peel—No, they have to give us evidence that they have paid the excise, and we reimburse them now. Whether they also give us details of to whom they have sold the fuel, we are not sure, but we will check that.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—I would like to know the breakdown of the ethanol sales between the independents and the four major oil companies. How do I get those figures?</p> <p>Mr Peel—If you allow us to take it on notice, we will see if we can provide it. If we cannot, we will let you know.</p>				
AI-5	Boswell	DITR	15/02/2007	<p>Renewable Energy Development Initiative - CSR</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—And the CSR Renewable Energy Development initiative, round 2, increase ethanol energy through SugarBooster technology: \$5 million?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—No, that is not part of this program.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—What program is that?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Did you say the Renewable Energy Development Initiative?</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—It says: increase ethanol energy through SugarBooster technology. Renewable Energy Development Initiative, round 2.</p> <p>Mr Peel—Round 2, CSR: \$5 million; a grant was awarded for \$5 million.</p> <p>Senator BOSWELL—Where is that?</p> <p>Mr Peel—The grant was announced on 20 July 2006. The grants are payable dependent upon milestones reached by the companies through their projects. I am not sure how much has been paid to that company to date, but I am happy to take it on notice and get back to you with an answer.</p>	E98-E99	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				Senator BOSWELL—Okay, that would be good.				
AI-6	Evans	DITR	15/02/2007	<p>Renewable Energy Development Initiative</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—We started a few minutes ago on the REDI scheme, but then I got a little lost as we went around the country, so I am probably more confused than I was at the start. There seem to be an awful lot of grant programs. Regarding the Renewable Energy Development Initiative program, you have had three rounds of grants. I think you said you had allocated \$46 million?</p> <p>Mr Peel—A total of \$47.1 million.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—How much of that has actually been paid out?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I will just check.</p> <p>Ms Zielke—Payments for this financial year, to date, have been \$4.84 million. I have only that figure with me. I have future commitments, but I have only the paid figure for this financial year to date.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—That is \$4.8 million to date?</p> <p>Ms Zielke—Yes.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Can you tell roughly how much had been actually expended in the previous two years?</p> <p>Ms Zielke—No, I do not have that figure with me.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—I will not hold you to it. Are we talking \$10 million?</p> <p>Ms Zielke—It would be about \$8 million or \$9 million, yes.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Maybe you could take that on notice for me?</p> <p>Ms Zielke—Certainly.</p>	E99	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-7	Evans	DITR	15/02/2007	Ethanol Distribution Program	E100-E101	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Given that my colleague, Senator Boswell, keeps taking us back to ethanol, I had better ask my ethanol questions now, because we will end up talking about ethanol whatever we do tonight. Senator Boswell probably knows all about the ethanol distribution program—this was a new initiative post budget, was it?</p> <p>Mr Peel—It was announced in August last year by the Prime Minister after the budget.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—It will cost about \$6,300,000; is that right?</p> <p>Mr Peel—A total of \$4.7 million in 2006-07; \$7 million in 2007-08; and \$2.3 million in 2008-09.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—I was throwing in the departmental outputs. How is that going?</p> <p>Mr Peel—Senator Boswell raised this earlier. This program provides grants to service stations to upgrade so they can either sell ethanol or sell more ethanol than they currently do. As I mentioned, there has been one grant to date, but the intelligence that we have from industry is that about 100 applications are probably in the pipeline. As I mentioned previously, they actually have to do the work before they claim the benefit under this program.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—I must admit I got lost in that round, so forgive me if I made you go over the same ground. You have only made one grant. What was that worth?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—The maximum grant is \$10,000, and I think it was a \$10,000 grant.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Was that to a service station owner?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—My understanding is that it was for one site.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—So it might be to a larger company?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—The owner or operator of that site. Who that is, I do not</p>				

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				<p>know.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—What state was it in?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—Again, I do not have that information.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Perhaps you could take on notice providing some information about the one you have granted?</p> <p>Mr Sexton—Yes.</p>				
AI-8	Evans	DITR	15/02/2007	<p><i>Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate</i></p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Is it being driven by government rather than by industry?</p> <p>Mr D Clarke—The government people have taken on the administrative chairing roles. Each of the task forces has very strong industry engagement. That is a critical feature of these projects. Each has industry people at the table at all of the meetings, and each has an extensive network behind them into those sectors in each of the six countries involved.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Is there a public list of the projects?</p> <p>Mr D Clarke—Yes. The total portfolio that was signed off by the partnership as a whole is accessible through a website supported by the US government. The particular details of the Australian funding are through the Australian government AP6 website. I can pass you the URLs of those offline.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—That will help, particularly the American one. If you could give me those on notice, that would be helpful.</p>	E108	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-9	Evans	DITR	15/02/2007	<p><i>Uranium Industry Framework</i></p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Are we talking about the options for nuclear energy and uranium mining, or just uranium mining?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—It is the three. It is the uranium industry framework, which has been mentioned; it is what we affectionately call the</p>	E109-E110	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>UMPNE report, which is the report of the task force that Ziggy Switkowski chaired; and it is the House of Representatives report.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Do I take it that your department is chairing the IDC?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Correct.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—Who is that?</p> <p>Mr Ryan—Me.</p> <p>Senator CHRIS EVANS—The buck stops with you? I will make a note of that for future reference! You say there are a lot of departments represented. Do you mind taking on notice the departments that are represented on the IDC?</p> <p>Mr Ryan—I will.</p>				
AI-10	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Offset program concession</i></p> <p>Senator CARR—These figures you are giving me will be in a table?</p> <p>Mr Peel—They are in a table, yes.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Is there any chance I could get that?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I will take that on notice and provide you with it.</p> <p>Senator CARR—The secretary is providing me with another table, and those figures are in this table here, are they?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—No. I do not think so.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Is it possible, Mr Paterson, to have a copy of the table of the figures that Mr Peel has just provided to the committee?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—We are happy to provide those details to you.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Thank you, that is very good of you.</p>	E3	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-11	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Structural Adjustment Fund for South Australia</i></p> <p>Senator CARR—It may save time, if it is possible—because there is</p>	E3-E4	23/05/2007	23/05/2007	

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				<p>not particularly anything secret about this—if I could have a table outlining the cost of the structural adjustment package for South Australia with the estimates and actuals for the forward estimates period and any committed funds?</p> <p>Mr Clarke—The South Australian fund will have finished by the end of this financial year, so we are happy to give you a table of the expenditure up until this year.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Thank you, and could that include the departmental expenditure including the administration of that program? Does that include the Electrolux structural adjustment package as well?</p> <p>Mr Clarke—No, the two packages are separate.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Could I have a similar set of figures for the Electrolux structural adjustment package?</p> <p>Mr Clarke—Yes.</p> <p>Senator CARR—So that is estimates and actuals where they are known and expenditure funds committed, the number of customers and departmental expenditure?</p> <p>Mr Clarke—Yes, on the Electrolux one, obviously, there are no customers yet, but we can give you the SAFSA one.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Similarly, is it possible to provide a table with the cost of programs for Invest Australia and the pharmaceutical partnerships program, if the officers are available? Again, because of the time factor, I am not seeking to go through them line by line now.</p> <p>Mr Peel—I can certainly provide them.</p> <p>Senator CARR—If it is possible today, it would be helpful.</p> <p>Mr Peel—We can do it now.</p> <p>Senator CARR—If they can just be handed up, that would be terrific. What I am looking for are the departmental programs across the chart: the strategic investment program; the TCF structural adjustment package; and the Automotive Competitiveness and Investment Scheme, the ACIS program, when they are not already</p>				

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				included in the tables I have.				
AI-12	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—The last time the scheme was updated or amended—that is the 175 per cent change and the tax offset that was introduced in 2001—did the department estimate the take-up rates for the premium offset at that time?</p> <p>Ms Berman—They did.</p> <p>Senator CARR—And what did you—</p> <p>Ms Berman—I would have to take on notice the figures, but we do have them. They were put out when the large Backing Australia's Ability package was put out. There were estimates put out for five years, so we can provide those.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Can you also provide to me the basis on which those estimates were made?</p> <p>Ms Berman—I am not sure that I can, because that was basically developed in conjunction with Treasury, and they provided the estimates at the time. So I do not think I can do that but I certainly can provide the figures.</p>	E5	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-13	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—I know we are always clever after the event, but how many firms do you think have been affected by this particular eligibility requirement?</p> <p>Ms Berman—It is something that we could take on notice, in terms of having a look at the registration data. All we could give you is an approximate number because other issues, such as grouping, come into play. That means somebody might appear to be eligible as a single firm, but, because they are grouped with a number of other firms, they are well over the \$5 million turnover and therefore they would not get in. So it is quite difficult for me to be able to say that</p>	E6	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				there is this number of firms who claim who might be able get it if the limit were changed.				
AI-14	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—Similarly, there was an evaluation conducted in 2003, and there is a reference to that on your website?</p> <p>Ms Berman—Yes.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Was that evaluation made public?</p> <p>Ms Berman—Anybody who requests it gets a hard copy of that evaluation.</p> <p>Senator CARR—I am requesting it.</p> <p>Ms Berman—Certainly.</p>	E9	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-15	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—Are you able to tell me historically what the changes have been in the registration base? Has the number of firms increased or decreased?</p> <p>Mr Peel—For the offsets?</p> <p>Senator CARR—Yes.</p> <p>Mr Peel—The only figures I have are for 2004-05, which I have provided to you—2,192—and the progressive figure for 2005-06. We will have the other figures, though.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Could you take that on notice?</p>	E9	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-16	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—Last December, Minister Macfarlane made the point that the government was seeking to boost: the level of business R&D by introducing the Premium and Offset elements</p>	E9-E10	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>to the Tax Concession ...</p> <p>Has there been any modelling work done to support that statement?</p> <p>Ms Berman—Could you clarify where that was said?</p> <p>Senator CARR—That was a media release on 7 December.</p> <p>Ms Berman—Was it talking in terms of these two elements having boosted the tax concession?</p> <p>Senator CARR—The words were ‘boosting the level of business R&D by introducing the Premium and Offset elements to the Tax Concession’.</p> <p>Ms Berman—I think it is meaning that that introduction has boosted the uptake of the tax concession. I don’t have the words—</p> <p>Senator CARR—This is 7 December 2006. Are you saying that is retrospective?</p> <p>Ms Berman—I believe so, because there have not been additional premium and offset changes, but certainly he has been witnessing the larger uptake each year of those two elements.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Are you able to tell me, given that the minister has made this statement and it is retrospectively—</p> <p>Mr Peel—We do not have the statement in front of us.</p> <p>Senator CARR—It is a ministerial press release of 7 December 2006, headed ‘Australian business innovation at an all time high’.</p> <p>Mr Paterson—We do not have that in front of us. We are happy to have a look at it and come back to you.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Is that easily available? Do you have it at hand?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Not immediately.</p> <p>Ms Berman—No, not in front of us.</p> <p>Mr Peel—It is a fact that the R&D expenditure has increased progressively since 2001 when those new elements were introduced, and it could well be that the minister is referring to that increased expenditure.</p>				

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				<p>Senator CARR—I am interested to know what the assumptions were about the level of R&D in the absence of the premium and in the offset schemes, given that the minister has made a specific reference to the significance of those particular elements of the government's program.</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Given the nature of the question, we will take that on notice.</p>				
AI-17	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—The Australian National Audit Office report on R&D tax concession in 2002-03 highlighted the proposition that three per cent of the companies registering represented 51 per cent of expected research and development expenditure. Are you aware of that?</p> <p>Mr Peel—Yes, we have seen the audit report.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Do you agree with that?</p> <p>Mr Peel—They would have derived those figures from talking to us and looking at our numbers.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Do you think it is still the case?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I suspect it would be fairly close to still being the case.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Do you have any information about the characteristics of those particular companies? For instance, are they particularly R&D intensive or are they just very big?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I do not have that information here. I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator CARR—What is your understanding?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Your own level of expertise in this area would not give you a view as to whether or not these—</p> <p>Mr Peel—If you want an accurate answer then it would be best if I</p>	E10-E12	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>took it on notice.</p> <p>Senator CARR—In doing that, I presume you could also tell me figures on the R&D intensity of the firms receiving the concession. How many firms have an R&D intensity of, say, less than one per cent, what proportion of the firms do they account for and how much is that in dollar terms?</p> <p>Ms Berman—We will take that on notice. We can give you intensity averages but we cannot give them per firm. We would have to do it in terms of, say, the offset users versus the premium or the size of the group.</p> <p>Senator CARR—What is your sense of the intensity? What is the figure?</p> <p>Ms Berman—We have done it in the past. I cannot recall exactly what it is, but it does vary according to sector and it varies according to size of firm, so there is a lot of variation in intensity.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Could you provide me with those figures on intensity across industries as distinct from firms as well.</p> <p>Ms Berman—Sectors.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Yes, sectors. How many have R&D intensity between one and two per cent and what is the proportion of the cost that they account for?</p> <p>Ms Berman—Certainly.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Can you provide that in dollar terms as well?</p> <p>Ms Berman—In terms of expenditure?</p> <p>Senator CARR—Yes.</p> <p>Ms Berman—I will take that on notice. I am not sure that we can provide it all but we can certainly provide you with intensities per sector.</p> <p>Senator CARR—And you would be able to indicate to me the sectors where the largest spending companies are located?</p> <p>Ms Berman—We will divide it up according to the sector definitions</p>				

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				<p>we have and I will give you the sector intensities.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Australia has only 43 Australian based companies that spend more than \$10 million per annum on R&D—would that be true?</p> <p>Ms Berman—Again, I do not have that information with me today but we do have access to those numbers.</p> <p>Senator CARR—It was also put to me that the areas in which these firms are located are automotive, pharmaceuticals, biotech, mining and related engineering, agriculture—particular rural R&D corps will be prominent there—and gaming. Would that be right: gaming?</p> <p>Ms Berman—I could not comment on gaming. Certainly I would expect pharmaceuticals and some manufacturing to be in that higher category.</p> <p>Senator CARR—It has been put to me that there are in fact two poker machine companies in the top 50 in Australia. Would that be right?</p> <p>Ms Berman—I have no comment. I am totally unaware of that.</p> <p>CHAIR—I do not think that you have formally said that you are going to take these questions on notice, but I am assuming that is what you are going to do?</p> <p>Ms Berman—Not for poker machines.</p> <p>CHAIR—No, before that.</p> <p>Ms Berman—I have taken on notice that I will look at intensity for specific sectors.</p> <p>Senator CARR—And firms. There were two sets of questions.</p> <p>Ms Berman—Size of firm and sector.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Also, the intensity less than one per cent, the proportion of cost they account for and how much that is in dollar terms.</p> <p>Ms Berman—I said I would see what I could do on that one. I cannot be sure that I can be exact in that case because, as I said before,</p>				

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				<p>grouping means that it is very difficult to give correct data. When people put their data in they do not say, 'I am grouped with these three other companies.' That information is given to the ATO; it is not given to us. Anything we give you has to have a caveat on it because it might not be totally accurate.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Let us have a look at your answer. I think the department has been extremely helpful. I am not trying to argue the toss here. I am trying to establish what it is that we do know about the operation of this scheme and what the department knows about it. We will obviously come back and talk again when we have had a look at those. I am sure there is plenty of opportunity to pursue it.</p>				
AI-18	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—Have you had any representations from component companies claiming that they have made this payment but not been given that?</p> <p>Mr Peel—For the tax concession?</p> <p>Senator CARR—Yes, the taxation concession.</p> <p>Mr Peel—Not that I am aware of, no.</p> <p>Senator CARR—With regard to ACIS money, have there been any complaints that because of the modulation they are not eligible for assistance?</p> <p>Mr Peel—We do have some cases where component manufacturers have challenged our ruling that they are not eligible for payments under ACIS because they are undertaking work directly for the automotive companies, yes.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Which companies are those?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I do not have that information here. I will have to take that on notice.</p>	E12-E13	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-19	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p>	E13-E14	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Senator CARR—I would like to ask about the audit arrangements. How frequently are claims for the tax concession audited? Is it done as part of a normal tax auditing process or is there a special arrangement with the industry R&D board? Is it the case that the ATO takes a risk based approach to auditing?</p> <p>Mr Peel—AusIndustry has a compliance program in place for the tax concession. We undertake a risk based approach to that, so we have a sampling approach and audit a number of companies each year. As well as that, the tax office from time to time refers specific cases to us that it has concerns about flowing from its activities.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Essentially, is it a two-streamed approach; one is a specific complaint and the other is risk based?</p> <p>Mr Peel—Correct.</p> <p>Senator CARR—How many firms did you audit last year?</p> <p>Mr Birch—We might take that on notice. It was around 40. I can check the number.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Do you have a percentage target for each of the years?</p> <p>Mr Peel—We have a rolling program auditing the top 30 customers in the concession by value. We also have a program that targets the larger claims, in excess of \$5 million, and then we have a series of company visits where new registrants for the tax concession are visited by officers from AusIndustry and we explain to them how the tax concession works and what their responsibilities are under that arrangement. What we will take on notice are the actual numbers and which category we did in the last year.</p>				
AI-20	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—The minister was quoted recently in the <i>Australian Financial Review</i> as saying:</p>	E15	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>... the department has been looking at the value in adjusting the beneficial ownership requirements for multinationals.</p> <p>Is that correct?</p> <p>Senator Minchin—Are you asking if he said that in the newspaper report?</p> <p>Senator CARR—Did he say that?</p> <p>Senator Minchin—Show us the newspaper. It is not possible for officials of the department to be in a position to verify whether a minister is accurately quoted in a newspaper. That is not a reasonable question.</p> <p>Senator CARR—You have no reason to dispute that it was accurately quoted? Mr Paterson, I take it you would have seen that?</p> <p>Senator Minchin—I do not think that is a fair question to officials. If I could verify it as the minister at the table, I would, but I cannot tell you now. I am happy to get an inquiry of his office.</p> <p>CHAIR—Take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator Minchin—I am happy to get his office to verify the quote. But I do not think that it is proper for the officials to do that.</p>				
AI-21	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>R&D Tax Concession</p> <p>Senator CARR—Do you have any estimates of the R&D that is currently undertaken in Australia that is made ineligible for concession because of the beneficial ownership test?</p> <p>Mr Peel—We could see whether we have denied any registrations for that purpose. We can take that on notice and check the numbers.</p>	E15	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-22	Joyce	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>Export Performance</p> <p>Senator JOYCE—Can you tell me how much of Australia's export income, if you have it available there, comes from farm, non-farm—which is obviously mining—tourism and manufacturing?</p>	E16	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Mr Paterson—Do you want farm and non-farm?</p> <p>Senator JOYCE—Non-farm resources. I will make it easier: farm, mining, tourism and manufacturing?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—We can provide a table to you that shows the export performance from pre June 1980 to date and then the projections going forward for mining exports, agricultural exports, manufacturing exports and service exports, if that would be of assistance.</p>				
AI-23	Joyce	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>Coal Exports</p> <p>Senator JOYCE—Who are our major markets for coal?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Our resources and energy people were here last night. They were excused from appearance today, having concluded the questions last night, so I do not have those people here.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE—Did they give any inference last night about what the effects of signing the Kyoto protocol would be on our major export markets for coal?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Those questions were not put to us.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE—Can I put them on notice.</p> <p>Mr Paterson—You can.</p>	E16	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-24	Joyce	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>Free Trade Agreement with China</p> <p>Senator JOYCE—What impediments are in place for any manufacturing goods going to China?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—That is a very broad question. I am happy to take it on notice. There are both tariff barriers in relation to some goods classes and there are some behind the border issues in relation to investment and intellectual property, which are all matters that are being considered as part of those negotiations. To ask what are the barriers is a very broad question.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE—As a broad question, what are the major</p>	E17-E18	21/05/2007	21/05/2007	

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				<p>impediments that we have in dealing with China? What are the major impediments that we have in dealing with China now?</p> <p>CHAIR—This is really cross-portfolio information that I do not think Mr Paterson can provide. He can probably provide some answers. Some of this is foreign affairs and some is agriculture. Perhaps Mr Paterson can take on notice what his department can answer.</p> <p>Mr Paterson—The primary carriage for the negotiations in relation to free trade agreements rests with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The Australian government's position in relation to those negotiations is articulated within that portfolio. We are obviously consulted and engaged in that process, but you are asking very broad questions and I do not think we can easily comprehend an answer, either in these hearings or even being sensible in terms of responding more broadly if we were to take it on notice.</p>				
AI-25	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>ACIS Program</p> <p>Senator CARR—I would like to turn now to the ACIS program. Mr Clarke, are you the lead officer here?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—Yes, if you are talking about policy.</p> <p>Senator CARR—I am talking about the Mitsubishi issue. Last time we were discussing Mitsubishi and whether or not they had received funding under ACIS. We had a discussion about whether information about funding for individual firms could be released. The department's view in relation to Mitsubishi was that such information could be released from ACIS under stage II but not stage I. Is that correct? Have I summarised our discussion accurately?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—More or less. The minister may release information on funding under ACIS I. There is a provision in the ACIS Act that allows that.</p> <p>Senator CARR—On this basis, will information be made available for stage II recipients?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—The section says that the minister may do it. It is</p>	E18	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	

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				<p>really up to the minister how he chooses to do that.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Has the minister expressed a view on how he intends to implement that section of the act?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—I am not sure that we have asked him that question.</p> <p>Senator CARR—You will have to now because I am going to ask for a list of participants in ACIS stage II and how much they have received. Can you provide that information for the first year of ACIS stage II—that is, for 2005?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—2005 was ACIS stage I.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Were no funds made available for the 2005 period?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—ASIC stage I is not subject to the amendment that enables the minister to make a statement. It would be for ASIC stage II, starting 1 January 2006.</p>				
AI-26	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Government Response to House of Representatives Committee Report entitled Shifting Gears: Employment in the Automotive Components Manufacturing Industry</i></p> <p>Senator CARR—With regard to the December 2006 report by the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Employment, Workplace Relations and Workforce Participation, entitled <i>Shifting Gears: employment in the automotive components manufacturing industry</i>, is the department able to indicate when there will be a response to that report?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—A response is being developed. I cannot give you a date as to when it will come out.</p> <p>Senator CARR—You would have to remind me here because there are requirements of the House of Representatives standing orders in regard to responses to parliamentary reports, aren't there?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—I do not know.</p> <p>Senator CARR—What is your timeline; that is what I am thinking?</p>	E21-E22	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	

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				<p>Mr P Clarke—We are developing a response.</p> <p>Senator CARR—You do not know when you are required to have that response prepared by?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—No, I do not know.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Will you take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr P Clarke—Certainly.</p>				
AI-27	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Funding Allocated to Finding New Business Opportunities at Lonsdale</i></p> <p>Senator CARR—The original announcement, if I recall the Prime Minister’s press release, spoke of Invest Australia working with the South Australian government and Mitsubishi to find new business opportunities for the Lonsdale site. How much funding eventually was allocated to that particular project, or projects associated with that objective?</p> <p>Mr Jones—I would have to take on notice the precise amount of money that was allocated to that objective. It was small in that the bulk of money for SAFSA was expended on the actual assessment of the applications for the fund and therefore the grants to the successful applicants under the fund rather than that particular objective. So we spent a small amount of money, of the order tens of thousands of dollars.</p>	E22	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-28	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Efforts to Identify Viable Commercial Opportunities in South Australia</i></p> <p>Senator CARR—Invest Australia was also going to fund efforts to identify viable commercial opportunities in South Australia more broadly. What particular projects were identified through that process?</p> <p>Mr Jones—Again, we have worked with the South Australian</p>	E23	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	

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				<p>government on that particular aspect of the scheme. That took the form of producing promotional literature which featured the benefits of investing into and conducting business South Australia. We did some advertising on, again, the benefits of South Australia and put increased efforts into our overseas marketing and targeting activities to highlight the benefits of going into South Australia. Again I would have to take on notice what particular results came from that, but to some extent it was increasing the general promotional efforts that South Australia already does in terms of highlighting the state as a business destination.</p> <p>Senator CARR—How much money was put into that?</p> <p>Mr Jones—Again, of \$40 million, it would have been a small proportion of the fund. I will take on notice exactly how much it was.</p>				
AI-29	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>'Global Integration' Industry Statement – State and Territory Contributions</i></p> <p>Senator CARR—The response to question on notice number SI-61 notes that the minister wrote to his state and territory counterparts inviting their contributions. Can you provide me with a copy of the summaries of the consultations to the committee from state governments?</p> <p>Mr Dean—Yes, I can.</p>	E25	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-30	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>'Global Integration' Industry Statement - Consultants</i></p> <p>Senator CARR—Last time we discussed this matter you were unable to tell me whether or not there were going to be any consultants engaged in the preparation of this statement. Are you able to tell me now whether or not any consultants have been engaged?</p> <p>Mr Dean—The department has a strategic research program which involves a number of consultancies and the statement process has drawn on some of those consultancies. In addition we have paid a</p>	E25-E26 & E34	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>small amount of money to five or six consultants to do a day or two's work for us so that we are aware of particular areas that we want to look at in detail.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Are these consultants earning commission for this particular work, or is it work already that has been commissioned?</p> <p>Mr Dean—The strategic research plan is work that the department already had decided to do; the small consultancies that I referred to is work that we have commissioned specifically.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Can you give me a list of those consultants?</p> <p>Mr Dean—I can: Dr John Howard of Howard Partners we engaged for a day; Don Scott-Kemmis for a day from ANU innovation program; Professor Andre Morkel from the University of Western Australia; Strategic and Organisational Research and Consulting—</p> <p>Senator CARR—How long were they engaged for?</p> <p>Mr Dean—Most of these were a day or two. Others were the Australian Business Foundation; Day and Hodge; and Rodney Bourke and Rod McEwan.</p> <p>Senator CARR—And when were they engaged?</p> <p>Mr Dean—I will get back to you on that.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Was it over December?</p> <p>Mr Dean—I do not know exactly when they were engaged.</p> <p>Senator CARR—It was recent though, presumably since last November? It was last November I asked this question and you were not able to tell me, so I take it that it is since November.</p> <p>Mr Dean—I will get back to you.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Today?</p> <p>Mr Dean—Yes.</p> <p>Senator CARR—How long does it take to look at your file?</p> <p>Mr Dean—I do not have the information in front of me. I would just like to be correct—</p>				

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				<p>Senator CARR—I thought it would be a reasonable conclusion to draw given I asked similar questions in November and you were not able to tell me then.</p> <p>Mr Dean—I would like to give you a correct answer.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Thank you very much.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Mr Paterson—If I could just clarify an issue that was raised earlier, there was an interchange on some question concerning consultancies in the industry statement. I do not have today's <i>Hansard</i> in front of us but I think you essentially put a proposition to us that we had said on the last occasion—that was when we were before supplementary estimates on 1 November—that there were no consultancies undertaken. I would refer you to page E29 of the record, which is the interchange between you and me on that day:</p> <p>Senator CARR—What is the total budget for the project?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—The staffing costs associated with the individuals.</p> <p>Senator CARR—No other costs associated with the project?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Not directly attributed to the project.</p> <p>Senator CARR—No research?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—We have a variety of inputs to the process in preparing that advice.</p> <p>Senator CARR—No consultancies are planned?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—It is still very much a work in progress.</p> <p>Senator CARR—It is to be published in less than a year—10 months—</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Correct.</p> <p>Senator CARR—and you cannot tell me whether or not you plan to employ any consultants?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—I have indicated to you that no decisions have been taken yet as to what will be incorporated into the statement.</p>				

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				<p>That was the nature of the interchange between us. I did not give you an emphatic assurance that as at 1 November there was no work that may have at some point in time—</p> <p>Senator CARR—I see the point you make. I was not suggesting I have been misled. My concern did not go to that. It went to what the research base was to the statement, not whether or not you were playing fast and loose with the truth.</p> <p>Mr Paterson—And I only clarify it for the purposes that we have taken some questions on notice that relate to the context in which you asked it and I wanted you to be conscious that we will be responding to the questions on notice having regard to that statement, not any others.</p>				
AI-31	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>Research Project on Structural Change in Australian Industry - Consultants</p> <p>Senator CARR—In answer to question on notice BI-16, the department provided me with a list of research projects that are being undertaken. One of these was looking at the structural change in Australian industry. Are you aware of that particular research project?</p> <p>Mr Dean—Yes.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Can you tell me whether the project has been completed?</p> <p>Mr Dean—It has not been completed.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Is it being done in-house, or is there a consultant?</p> <p>Mr Dean—There is a consultant.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Who is that consultant?</p> <p>Mr Dean—It is the Centre for International Economics.</p> <p>Senator CARR—How much is involved in that consultancy?</p> <p>Mr Dean—I am not aware of that. There are two consultancies that total \$117,000. One is the Centre for International Economics; the other is BIS Shrapnel. I do not know what the breakdown between</p>	E26	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				those is. Senator CARR —You take that on notice, please? Mr Dean —Yes.				
AI-32	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<i>Research Project on Structural Change in Australian Industry – Report</i> Senator CARR —Will a copy of the project report be provided to the committee when it is completed? Mr Dean —For these— Senator CARR —For that particular project; this is the structural change in Australian industry project. Mr Paterson —No decision has been taken on the fate of those reports at this stage. Senator CARR —Will you take that on notice as a request to have that report? Mr Paterson —Yes. I would note that, given the nature of the consultancies, they may well provide input to the policy advice that we provide the government, so that is why I am— Senator CARR —But they are not completed yet? Mr Paterson —Correct.	E26	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-33	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<i>House of Representatives Committee Inquiries into Manufacturing and Service Exports</i> Senator CARR —There is a current inquiry under way by the House of Representatives looking at Australia’s manufacturing exports and the import competing sectors. Will this material be made available to that House of Representatives committee? Mr Paterson —No decision has been taken on that at this stage. Senator CARR —I would ask if you could take that on notice. Will	E27-E28	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>this information be made available to the committee given that you are spending \$117,000 on an area directly relating to a parliamentary committee's terms of reference? There is also an inquiry into the services sector. Will a similar approach be taken in regard to that committee?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—I will take it on notice.</p>				
AI-34	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>TCF Structural Adjustment Package – Date of Payments to Blundstone</p> <p>Senator CARR—In terms of the payments that have been made to Blundstone, did you mention a figure in 2006 of \$340,000?</p> <p>Mr Peel—2006-07 TCFs post-2005, \$344,438.</p> <p>Senator CARR—What date was that payment made?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I do not have that precise information.</p> <p>Senator CARR—But it was definitely after June of last year?</p> <p>Mr Peel—Yes, it was in 2006-07.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Some time in the last six months they got \$344,000—is that right?</p> <p>Mr Peel—It was paid in financial year 2006-07. I do not have the exact date.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Can you take on notice the date on which it was paid?</p> <p>Mr Peel—Yes.</p>	E32	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-35	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>TCF Structural Adjustment Package – Payments to Blundstone for Relocation Expenses</p> <p>Senator CARR—They are being very helpful. I cannot complain that they have withheld information about how much money the company has got. I am not making any accusation. I am trying to establish whether the Commonwealth provided assistance. It could be that the</p>	E33	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>state government provided assistance for relocation expenses.</p> <p>Mr Paterson—Mr Peel has indicated that he is not aware of any payment that we have made in that way.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Thank you. What I was worried about—</p> <p>Mr Paterson—If we become aware on a further search of our records we will let you know.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Mr Paterson, the reason I asked the question was that Mr Peel said he personally was not aware, and I am always anxious about whether or not that means that someone else in the department might be aware.</p> <p>Mr Peel—Nobody jumped up.</p> <p>Senator CARR—To correct the record.</p> <p>Mr Peel—What we can do is determine whether any of the money that I mentioned we paid to them was for that purpose.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Yes, thank you very much.</p> <p>Mr Peel—If it was, we will provide that information.</p>				
AI-36	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>COMET program – Business Advisers</p> <p>Senator CARR—Do the business advisers earn a retainer of \$100,000 from the department?</p> <p>Mr Peel—\$150,000.</p> <p>Senator CARR—How many do you have?</p> <p>Mr Peel—We have 13 or 14.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Is there a list? I suppose the annual report would provide that, too, would it?</p> <p>Mr Paterson—It does not. The department's annual report does not list the COMET advisers.</p> <p>Mr Peel—We have 12 full time and two part time, so 13 full-time equivalents.</p>	E36	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Senator CARR—Where would I get a list of those people? Can you provide that?</p> <p>Mr Peel—We could provide that to you.</p>				
AI-37	Carr	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>COMET program – Allegations of Fraud</p> <p>Senator CARR—So the process is that if a client of AusIndustry or of the COMET program has a concern about improper activities by a business adviser, they have an opportunity to make their concerns known to the department?</p> <p>Mr Peel—That is correct.</p> <p>Senator CARR—And those concerns will be investigated?</p> <p>Mr Peel—That is correct.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Is that the process?</p> <p>Mr Peel—That is entirely correct.</p> <p>Senator CARR—Given that fraud is a difficult issue to prove, have you had any matters that you have taken beyond merely inquiry or investigation?</p> <p>Mr Peel—We have some matters that are in the hands of the police.</p> <p>Senator CARR—How many matters are currently in the hands of the police?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Senator CARR—Have you got an indication of the size of the moneys involved in such matters before the police?</p> <p>Mr Peel—I would have to take that on notice.</p>	E37-E38	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-38	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>Analysis of Tourism Trends</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Mr Buckley, have you done a formal analysis</p>	E40	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>of those industry sectors, particularly if we look at Japan, which is the significant drop? Does Tourism Australia have some kind of a report that could be provided to the committee that highlights those trends?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—We do.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—And perhaps how the trend relates to other countries, as you suggested? That would be helpful.</p> <p>Mr Buckley—Yes. We have two things, and Philip will perhaps talk about the Japan Action Plan.</p> <p>Mr Noonan—In January last year Minister Bailey launched a Japan Action Plan which resulted from an analysis by industry and other stakeholders of what needed to be done to try to address the situation in Japan. There are some longer term trends, though, so I do not think anybody is saying that we can turn Japan into the booming market that it was in the 1980s. I can certainly provide a copy of the Japan Action Plan to indicate the kinds of things that were being contemplated then and are being implemented at this time.</p> <p>Mr Buckley—I might add that Tourism Australia does a regular market briefing and analysis of all of our key markets, and that is available on the website for the industry. Clearly what we are looking to do is work with the industry in terms of how we respond. Again, we could make that available to you.</p>				
AI-39	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Tourism Australia – Japan Action Plan</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Is the monitoring group being resourced?</p> <p>Mr Noonan—Yes, a secretariat is provided by Tourism Australia and a senior Tourism Australia representative and I are observers to the monitoring group.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Is there a dollar allocation for resourcing the plan?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—Project by project there are allocations. Obviously, a number of the actions recommended are for Tourism Australia to take forward, and we have dollars allocated to those individual programs.</p>	E40-E41	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Our marketing campaign and other things have specific dollars.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Are you able to provide that detail to the committee?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—Certainly we can pull out the broad numbers in terms of campaign allocations and those sorts of things. That could be provided.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Is the action plan resourced totally out of Tourism Australia or are there partnership arrangements with or contributions from other agencies or organisations?</p> <p>Mr Noonan—The private sector parties have given their time, and a state representative is also released to work on this project. There is not a specific allocation for the monitoring group to go and do work other than perhaps travel expenses. The monitoring group has been once to Japan and will go again next month.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Will you provide details of all that to the committee?</p> <p>Mr Noonan—Yes, certainly. The process for reporting back has been from the monitoring group to the minister, and there have also been progress reports that the monitoring group has made available to industry stakeholders. Perhaps we could send you the latest of those documents when they are available.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Thank you.</p>				
AI-40	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Profile of Chinese Tourists</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—I am sure you have profiled Chinese visitors.</p> <p>Mr Buckley—We have.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Tell us a bit about that.</p> <p>Mr Noonan—I will mention some of the work that we have done with China at a government level. The Chinese market is characterised by the fact that we need to deal with it at a government level in order to facilitate the market. Australia and China, Minister</p>	E42	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Bailey and her counterpart in the Chinese national tourism administration signed a memorandum of understanding in August 2006 about facilitating tourism flows between the two countries. An Australia-China tourism business forum was held at that time also. I think Mr Buckley mentioned the opening up of China. Package Chinese tourists come to Australia under the approved destination scheme arrangements. Australia was one of the first Western countries to have access to those arrangements, in 1999. That has been progressively extended and as at last year now covers all the provinces of China. We are able to tap into the full breadth of the Chinese market now.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—What do you see are the major barriers to actually attracting more Chinese tourists?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—The barriers, interestingly enough, are starting to become the same barriers we are finding around the world. It is increased competition. They are a very strong source market for not only Australia but also a number of other destinations. There is a process called approved destination status, which countries need to apply for and get granted from the Chinese government. In the initial phases of market growth for China, Australia was one of a very few countries; now there are over 100 world destinations that have what we call ADS. The competition has expanded very dramatically in the last couple of years. That is one of the big challenges. I think beyond that it is a communication challenge. Again, what we do know is when we market in China in any one province there are at least 50 television channels, so you start to see the level of challenge in getting your messages through to that market. So they are the two key challenges which we face in the China market. Just on your question about the profile, I have a quite detailed profile. Perhaps it might be better to make it available for you.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—That would be great.</p>				
AI-41	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<i>Tourism MOU Between Australia and China</i>	E42-E43	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Senator STEPHENS—Mr Noonan, is it possible for the committee to have the memorandum of understanding that was signed between Australia and China?</p> <p>Mr Noonan—I could provide a summary of it. The Chinese government has not consented to make the instrument itself available, but I can certainly provide the committee with a description of the main elements of it.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Is it likely that the Chinese government will agree to releasing it?</p> <p>Mr Noonan—I am not sure. They said that it was the first of a kind that they had entered into and that they would use it as a template for other MOUs, so there may be a sensitivity there.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Thank you very much.</p>				
AI-42	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Tourism Australia – International Offices</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—How many international offices are there now?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—We have 14.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Is it possible for us to have a breakdown of the operating costs of those offices in terms of admin expenses, recurrent expenses and staffing? If you could take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—Yes, we have that information so we can supply it to you on notice.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—If you could provide that, that would be great.</p>	E43	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-43	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>'Where the Bloody Hell Are You?' Campaign - Statistics</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Do you have any indication of how successful it has been? How is the campaign travelling? What do you think?</p>	E44	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Mr Buckley—We have. It is actually very positive from Tourism Australia’s perspective. While it is still early days for a brand campaign like this—traditionally they are long-term campaigns—we are seeing some very good early indicators. The initial indication in things like website hits in the digital space has been particularly encouraging. There has been something like a 30 per cent increase in visits to Australia.com—that is, Tourism Australia’s website—since before the campaign.</p> <p>CHAIR—Did you say 13 per cent or 30 per cent? I did not hear you.</p> <p>Mr Buckley—Thirty per cent. In addition, we put in place a tracking process to track the success of the campaign against its objectives. We are just starting to get some numbers out of that tracking process across our seven key markets. What we are seeing across all markets is an increase in consumer knowledge of Australia when they have seen the campaign. We are seeing an increase in positive response to Australia, but probably more importantly we are seeing an increase in action taken by the consumer in sourcing further information. It is the first step in that consumer purchase cycle. All of those are very strong positive indicators that it is starting to have the effect that we were looking for.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Are we able to see some statistics on that, please?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—We could put something together for you. There is a whole range of numbers that we can put out. We are happy to provide that summary for you.</p>				
AI-44	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>'Where the Bloody Hell Are You?' Campaign - DVD</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Yes, I understand that. I was just going to ask whether or not it would be possible for the committee to actually get a DVD of all of the endings.</p> <p>Mr Buckley—Absolutely.</p>	E45	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-45	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<i>Tourism Websites</i>	E46	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Senator STEPHENS—So you are hoping to have your new-look website for that?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—That is correct.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—What appropriation did you get for that improvement? What is the cost of that improvement to the website?</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—The benefits will go over a three-year period. The cost of the development of that site over that three-year period will be in the vicinity of \$1.5 million to \$2 million. I can be more specific if you like, with the details.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—If you could provide that on notice, that would be helpful.</p>				
AI-46	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>Tourism Australia – Marketing Programs</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—In the latest agency budget statement, on page 188, it lists a range of consumer marketing activities, including the visitor journalist, Aussie specialist travel agent and the Aussie enthusiast trade support programs. Can you provide a complete list of all the marketing programs that Tourism Australia is involved in? Can you take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—We can do that.</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—Sorry, can you repeat that, please?</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Can you provide a list of all the marketing programs that Tourism Australia is involved in and include a breakdown of the costings—staffing, recurrent and administrative costs? If you could take that on—</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—There is obviously a fair bit of detail in that, so we will give it a go at an appropriate level hopefully to your satisfaction.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—I appreciate that.</p>	E47-E48	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-47	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>Tourism Australia – Sale of Research</p>	E48	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Senator STEPHENS—You said, Mr Hopwood, that one of the issue was the sale of research?</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—Sale of some aspects of our tourism research, yes.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Who are the purchasers of that kind of research?</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—Sorry, I do not have the details. There will be various industry bodies within Australia who are interested in that information.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Perhaps you could provide some details to the committee about cost recovery activities and what programs deliver those. That would be great.</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—Yes.</p>				
AI-48	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Tourism Australia – Programs and Forward Estimates</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—In terms of your programs, can you provide, also on notice, a list of the programs and the current expense revenue and cash forward estimates for the coming few years? If we could get out to 2009 and 2010 that would be a miracle; perhaps you might have done that much thinking?</p>	E48	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-49	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Establishment of Tourism Australia as a New Agency</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—What proportion of your funding allocation has actually been spent on establishing Tourism Australia as a new tourism agency? Because you have re-branded, have you not?</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—Yes. Do you mean the technical costs of stationery and legal costs of establishment or our marketing?</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—I would be interested in the broader picture, not just those administrative costs but some marketing. What has gone into the marketing campaign of your re-branding? That would be helpful.</p>	E48-E49	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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AI-50	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Tourism Events Australia and the Australian Experience Unit</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—In terms of establishing Tourism Events Australia, can you provide some details to the committee about what that exercise has cost. Also, in terms of the Australian Experience Unit, can you tell how many people it has and how that is resourced?</p> <p>Mr Hopwood—Yes, certainly.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—That would be helpful too.</p>	E49	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-51	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>International Campaign – Tender Process</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—You may not be able to quantify this but perhaps you might be able to tell me what resources have gone into, for want of a better word, the conceptualisation around the international campaign? Did you engage consultants to do that?</p> <p>Mr Buckley—It was part of a tender process to actually—</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—If you could provide some details of that tender process that would be useful.</p> <p>Mr Buckley—Yes, we can.</p>	E49	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-52	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p><i>Tourism Minister's Advisory Council</i></p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—And also perhaps some information around the establishment of the Industry Implementation Advisory Group; are you able to tell me—</p> <p>Mr Buckley—The industry advisory—</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Implementation, yes, advisory group. The costs of establishing—</p> <p>Mr Buckley—Can I be clear about which group you might be referring to?</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—You mean you have more than one?</p>	E49	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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				<p>Mr Noonan—Tourism Australia has industry advisory panels in a number of areas. It is perhaps that area that you are looking at, which advise the board on various matters.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—I have it here as the industry implementation advisory group.</p> <p>Mr Noonan—No, that sounds more like the minister’s advisory panel on the implementation of the white paper, which is nowadays known as the Tourism Minister’s Advisory Council. We can certainly give you some detail about the cost of running that council.</p>				
AI-53	Stephens	DITR	16/02/2007	<p>Tourism Australia – Costs of Various Programs</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Perhaps you could provide some detail, too, on how much is being spent on rolling out the revitalised Brand Australia campaign and also the costs that have been incurred for the first two rounds of the Australian Tourism Development Program, the first two rounds of the Tourism and Conservation Partnerships Initiative and the Business Ready Program for Indigenous Tourism. If you could take all of that on notice that would be helpful.</p> <p>Mr Noonan—Yes. I will provide you with the allocations to each of those programs.</p> <p>Senator STEPHENS—Thank you.</p>	E49	15/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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<i>Low Emissions Technology Demonstration Fund</i>						
AI-54	Evans	DITR	In relation to the application to this fund, did the Department assess those applications and then provide recommendations to the Minister on what projects might be funded?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-55	Evans	DITR	On what date did the Department conclude its assessment of the applications?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-56	Evans	DITR	On what date were those recommendations provided to the Minister?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-57	Evans	DITR	On what date did the Minister sign off on those recommendations?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-58	Evans	DITR	What is the Department's estimate on when funds will first actually be spent (as opposed to committed) through this fund, i.e. what year?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-59	Evans	DITR	What is the Department's current estimated funding profile for this Fund in the out-years?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Renewable Energy Development Initiative</i>						
AI-60	Evans	DITR	In relation to the current commitments under this initiative, how much funding has actually been spent?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-61	Evans	DITR	Can the Department provide for each project the amount in funding approved and the current amount actually spent?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-62	Evans	DITR	Is the funding provided through a funding agreement with the provision for milestone or progress payments?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-63	Evans	DITR	What is the Department's current estimated funding profile for this Fund in the out-years?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-64	Evans	DITR	What acquittal process is there in relation to the funding providing under this program?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Ethanol Distribution Scheme</i>						
AI-65	Evans	DITR	Can the Department confirm that it has budgeted for grants worth \$4.7m, \$7.0m and \$2.3m in the three years from 2006-07?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-66	Evans	DITR	Can the Department confirm that it has budgeted \$1.6m, \$1.2m and \$0.5m in the three years from 2006-07 to administer those grants?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-67	Evans	DITR	Can the Department confirm what proportion of the total grant funding available the total administrative costs represent for this scheme?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-68	Evans	DITR	Can the Department provide a breakdown and explanation for the expenses related to the administration of this scheme?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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<i>LPG Vehicle Conversion Rebate Scheme</i>						
AI-69	Evans	DITR	Can the Department confirm that it has budgeted over \$35m to administer this scheme in the four years to 2009-10?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-70	Evans	DITR	Can the Department provide a breakdown and explanation for the expenses related to the administration of this scheme?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-71	Evans	DITR	Can the Department detail what administrative responsibilities Centrelink will have in relation to this scheme?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-72	Evans	DITR	Can the Department detail what administrative responsibilities the Department will have in relation to this scheme?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-73	Evans	DITR	Why has the Department estimated that the cost of administering the scheme will peak in 2008-09, given the value of the grants will fall from 2006-07?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>HIsmelt</i>						
AI-74	Evans	DITR	In relation to the HIsmelt facility— For the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 how much Commonwealth funding has been provided for the development and operation of the facility?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-75	Evans	DITR	For the years 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 how much Commonwealth funding has been allocated for the development and operation of the facility?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-76	Evans	DITR	If there has been any re-phasing of funding in relation to this facility please detail what re-phasing has occurred?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	Revised on 18/05/2007
AI-77	Evans	DITR	In relation to Commonwealth funding provided to this facility indicate the purpose of the funding?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-78	Evans	DITR	Under what program has the funding been provided?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-79	Evans	DITR	Will the funding be provided through a funding agreement or contract, with payments made on agreed milestones?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Queensland Alumina Limited</i>						
AI-80	Evans	DITR	In relation to the company Queensland Alumina Limited— Why has \$5m been committed as a contribution to the conversion of the refinery?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-81	Evans	DITR	Has the Commonwealth committed any other funding to this company? If so how much and when?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-82	Evans	DITR	In relation to Commonwealth funding provided to this company indicate the purpose of the funding?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-83	Evans	DITR	Under what program has this funding been provided?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-84	Evans	DITR	Will this funding be provided through a funding agreement or contract, with payments made on agreed milestones?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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AI-85	Evans	DITR	To date how much funding has actually been provided to this company?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Funding for AP6 on Clean Development and Climate</i>						
AI-86	Evans	DITR	Given the Government's commitment of \$100 million towards the AP6 clean development and climate initiative— How much of that funding has actually been committed to projects?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-87	Evans	DITR	Of the amount committed, to date how much has actually been spent?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-88	Evans	DITR	Can the Department provide for each approved project under this initiative the amount in funding committed and the current amount actually spent?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-89	Evans	DITR	What is the Department's current estimated funding profile in the out-years for the \$100m committed to this initiative?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Syntroleum Depreciation</i>						
AI-90	Evans	DITR	The Department's 2006-07 PBS (page 39) refers to "Syntroleum depreciation"— Provide an explanation as to the \$1m allocated to this item in 2005-06 and 2006-07?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-91	Evans	DITR	Was this a project that has previously been funded by the Commonwealth? If so indicated the total amount of Commonwealth funding provided to date and when that funding was provided?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-92	Evans	DITR	Why is the Commonwealth liable for the depreciation associated with this project?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-93	Evans	DITR	What other organisations, both government and commercial, are involved in this project?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Nuclear Industry</i>						
AI-94	Evans	DITR	Has the Department provided any briefing to the Minister on the establishment of a domestic nuclear power industry?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-95	Evans	DITR	Has the Department provided any briefing to the Minister on the establishment of a domestic nuclear enrichment industry?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-96	Evans	DITR	Has the Department done any analysis of the issues that would need to be considered in determining likely sites for nuclear power stations in Australia?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-97	Evans	DITR	Has the Department commissioned any work into what issues would need to be considered in determining likely sites for nuclear power stations in Australia?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-98	Evans	DITR	Has the Department done any analysis of suitable sites for nuclear power stations in Australia?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-99	Evans	DITR	Has the Department commissioned any analysis of suitable sites for nuclear power stations in Australia?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-100	Evans	DITR	Has the Department provided any briefing to the Minister on possible sites for nuclear power stations in Australia?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-101	Evans	DITR	Has the Department done any analysis on the impact on coal fired power generation, if nuclear power plants were established in Australia?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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AI-102	Evans	DITR	Has the Department commissioned any analysis on the impact on coal fired power generation, if nuclear power plants were established in Australia?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Departmental Funding for Clean Coal Technologies</i>						
AI-103	Evans	DITR	For the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 (to date) can the Department separately indicate the total funding provided to every relevant organisation, for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of clean coal technologies? E.g. CRC's, CSIRO, CLET	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-104	Evans	DITR	For the years 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 can the Department separately indicate the total funding allocated to every relevant organisation, for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of clean coal technologies?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-105	Evans	DITR	For the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 (to date) can the Department provide the total funding provided for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of clean coal technologies? If this figure is different from the total of the amounts in the first question please explain discrepancy.	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Departmental Funding for Renewable Technologies</i>						
AI-106	Evans	DITR	For the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 (to date) can the Department separately indicate the total funding provided to every relevant organisation, for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of renewable technologies? E.g. CRC's, CSIRO, CLET	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-107	Evans	DITR	For the years 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-2010 can the Department separately indicate the total funding allocated to every relevant organisation, for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of renewable technologies?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-108	Evans	DITR	For the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 (to date) can the Department provide the total funding provided for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of renewable technologies? If this figure is different from the total of the amounts in the first question please explain discrepancy.	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Produce and Grocery Industry – Code of Practice</i>						
AI-109	Siewert	DITR	The Minister announced in September last year that he would convene a meeting of the fruit and vegetable grower and wholesale representatives to develop and enforceable code of practice for the industry— Did the meeting take place?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-110	Siewert	DITR	Who was in attendance?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-111	Siewert	DITR	What were the outcomes of the meeting?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-112	Siewert	DITR	Can you provide me with a report of the meetings proceedings?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-113	Siewert	DITR	Can you provide me with an update on the current activities of the working group chaired by May Urquhart?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-114	Siewert	DITR	Can you provide me with a current list of members and former members of the working group?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	

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AI-115	Siewert	DITR	What is the timeframe for implementation of an enforceable code of practice?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-116	Siewert	DITR	What are the objectives of the new code of conduct?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-117	Siewert	DITR	What are the enforceable measures and what will the penalties be for non- compliance?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-118	Siewert	DITR	How is it intended to monitor the enforcement of the new code of conduct?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-119	Siewert	DITR	What has been the industries response to the new code of conduct?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-120	Siewert	DITR	Can you provide me with a copy of all of the Ombudsman's reports since the inception of the Office of the Produce and Grocery Industry Ombudsman and also for when it was know as the Retail Grocery Industry Ombudsman?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Renewable Energy Development Initiative</i>						
AI-121	Milne	DITR	For the Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources, regarding the Renewable Energy Development Initiative— What percentage of the total available funding has been allocated?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-122	Milne	DITR	How many applications has each funding round received?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-123	Milne	DITR	What amount of funding was applied for during each funding round?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-124	Milne	DITR	How many applications have been received since the last funding round?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-125	Milne	DITR	What amount of funding was applied for since the last funding round?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-126	Milne	DITR	Within each round, and of applications received since the last round, what percentage of applications involved projects that could generate Renewable Energy Certificates?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
AI-127	Milne	DITR	Of the funding applications for projects that could generate RECs, what amount of funding was applied for in each round and since the last round?	16/05/2007	16/05/2007	
<i>Grants Allocated by the Department/Agency from 1 January 2002</i>						
AI-128	Ludwig	DITR and Agencies	With regard to all grants allocated by the department/agency from 1 January 2002, could a table detailing the following information be provided: a. The name of the grant program b. The name of the grant recipient c. The ABN of the grant recipient (where available) d. The amount awarded e. The date the grant was awarded f. The state of the grant recipient g. The postcode of the grant recipient	24/05/2007	24/05/2007	
<i>Campaign Advertising – Cost, Frequency and Type</i>						
AI-129	Wong	DITR and	For Campaign advertising in each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio, what is the:	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	

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		agencies	a. cost b. frequency; and c. type/medium (e.g. print, television, radio) of campaign advertising for this financial year? Can this information be provided on a monthly basis for the financial year?			
Recruitment Agencies						
AI-130	Wong	DITR and agencies	What sum was spent on recruitment agencies in 2006 by each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-131	Wong	DITR and agencies	Will the Minister provide a list of the recruitment agencies which are used by the department and agencies in the Minister's portfolio?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-132	Wong	DITR and agencies	What functions do recruitment agencies perform for departments and what would be the likely impact on departmental outcomes from reduction in recruitment spending on external agencies?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-133	Wong	DITR and agencies	What benefit-cost assessments have been done which benchmark internal recruitment processes and/or on utilising on line recruitment portals?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
Opinion Polls/Market Research						
AI-134	Wong	DITR and agencies	What sum was spent on opinion polls, focus groups or market research in 2006 by each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-135	Wong	DITR and agencies	Will the Ministers provide a list of opinion polls, focus groups, or market research agencies what are used by department and agencies in the Minister's portfolio?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-136	Wong	DITR and agencies	How much of the opinion polls, focus groups or market research expenditure of agencies or departments was conducted at the request of the Minister's office?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-137	Wong	DITR and agencies	What benefit-cost assessments have been done which assess the returns from opinion polls, focus groups of market research?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
Advertising Campaigns						
AI-138	Wong	DITR and agencies	What sum was spent on each of the active advertising campaigns for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-139	Wong	DITR and agencies	In attachment A – a list of active campaigns that were tabled in on 30 October 2006 at Senate Estimates, what were the actual costs for those which have been completed as relevant to each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio? ATTACHMENT A: http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/fapa_ctte/estimates/sup_0607/pmc/campaign_activity.pdf	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-140	Wong	DITR and agencies	At the Budget Estimates in May 2006, the Budget Papers listed the following Pending Campaigns (from Budget Papers: period up to 4 years)	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	

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			<p>Campaign \$M</p> <p>Smart Card 47.3</p> <p>Child Support Reform 36.1</p> <p>Promote Private Health Cover 52.1</p> <p>Medicare direct mail 17.5</p> <p>New family law arrangements 19.9</p> <p>Independent contractors <15</p> <p>Pensions real estate/assets test 5.9 (at least, over 2 years)</p> <p>Smart Traveller 13.1</p> <p>Alcohol abuse 25.2</p> <p>Citizenship 4</p> <p>Disease risk factors</p> <p>Child care rebate</p> <p>Family Law arrangements</p> <p>Illicit drugs and mental illness</p> <p>Living in Harmony Initiative</p> <p>For those campaigns which are relevant to each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio, what is the:</p> <p>(a) planning progress for campaigns;</p> <p>(b) likely start dates; and</p> <p>(c) media spend.</p>			
<i>Monitoring Use of Water in Departments and Agencies</i>						
AI-141	Wong	DITR and agencies	Is there any requirement to provide details of how much water is used and how much water is saved in the annual reports of each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-142	Wong	DITR and agencies	Is water usage monitored for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-143	Wong	DITR and agencies	What is the water usage for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	
AI-144	Wong	DITR and agencies	For each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio, can information be provided on whether dual flush toilets are in place in the buildings they occupy?	18/05/2007	18/05/2007	

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<i>Carbon Emissions Trading Task Group</i>						
AI-145	Evans	DITR	When was the Department first made aware of the proposal to establish an Emissions Trading Task group?	17/05/2007	17/05/2007	
AI-146	Evans	DITR	What is the Department's total budget for the Task Group?	17/05/2007	17/05/2007	
AI-147	Evans	DITR	Has the Department briefed the Minister for Industry on domestic carbon emissions trading? If so, how many times and over what period?	17/05/2007	17/05/2007	
AI-148	Evans	DITR	Has the Department briefed the Minister for Industry on global carbon emissions trading? If so, how many times and over what period?	17/05/2007	17/05/2007	
AI-149	Evans	DITR	Has the Department briefed the Minister for Industry on the link between carbon emissions and climate change? If so, how many times and over what period?	17/05/2007	17/05/2007	
AI-150	Evans	DITR	Did the Department brief the Minister for Industry on the recently released IPCC Report which noted that it was almost certain that there is a link between human activity and climate change?	17/05/2007	17/05/2007	
AI-151	Evans	DITR	What other climate change related reports has the Department briefed the Minister for Industry on over the last 12 months?	17/05/2007	17/05/2007	