

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

**TOPIC:** Promotional Notes – Wodonga Council

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Bushby

**QUESTION No.:** AI-143

In answer to question SI 112 on notice from the last round of Estimates, AusIndustry advised that it did not provide local councils with promotional information about the carbon tax which it sought to have published. In that case, how is it that the Wodonga Council published, last year, a series of promotional notes about the carbon tax and not only the contact details of an AusIndustry officer but also an invitation for people to email or phone her? *<Please see an online copy of Wodonga Council's quarterly newsletter of at the following URL: [http://www.wodonga.vic.gov.au/business/statistics/images/Quarterly Business Newsletter Edition\\_31.pdf](http://www.wodonga.vic.gov.au/business/statistics/images/Quarterly_Business_Newsletter_Edition_31.pdf). The information relating to AusIndustry appears on page 7.>*

**ANSWER**

AusIndustry did not provide any promotional information or material about carbon pricing for Wodonga Council to publish in its quarterly newsletter dated October 2011. AusIndustry has confirmed that Wodonga Council reproduced information available on the Government's Clean Energy Future web site at that time. Wodonga Council did not seek approval to include AusIndustry contact details in the article.