Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

TOPIC: Green Car Fund

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Abetz

QUESTION No.: SI-22

When were Holden and Ford officially advised that the Green Car Fund was open for business before the advertised starting date of 2011?

ANSWER

The Government announced on 10 November 2008 that the Green Car Innovation Fund would be expanded to \$1.3 billion, brought forward to 2009 and run over ten years.

Both prior to and since the announcement, the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research has received a number of enquiries and has had discussions with industry players concerning possible funding proposals.