## **Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012 19 October 2011

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**TOPIC:** FORMER CHIEF SCIENTIST

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**Senator COLBECK**: My apologies, Professor Chubb, but I have a couple of questions to tidy up some issues in relation to your predecessor. These questions are perhaps more to you, Minister. Did the former Chief Scientist attend any meetings with you or your staff in the week immediately leading up to the public announcement of her resignation?

**Senator Carr**: I would have to check the diary for that.

## **ANSWER**

Professor Sackett's resignation was announced on 18 February 2011. In the week preceding the announcement she met with Minister Carr and his staff at Parliament House on 15 February 2011.