

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2004-2005 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
17 FEBRUARY 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Indigenous Business Australia

Question Number: W286-05

Question:

Senator Carr asked in writing:

Assuming that the negotiations are finalised and IBA becomes the delivery mechanism for BDP, where will the Program fit in the IBA structure? What are the staffing implications? What is happening to the staff administering the BDP in the meantime? Where are they currently located? Will they transfer to IBA? How many and at what levels

Answer:

1. The delivery arrangements were a short term arrangement pending the transfer of the BDP to IBA upon passage of the ATSIC amendment legislation. With the proclamation of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Act 2005, a new programme structure is being put in place reflecting the expanded functions.
2. Staff associated with BDP and the Home Ownership Programme (and pro rata corporate support staff) have been transferred to IBA under Section 72 of the Public Service Act with affect from 24 March 2005.
3. Prior to the proclamation of the Act, BDP staff remained as DEWR or ATSIS employees.
4. BDP, HOP and corporate services staff are currently located in:
 - Woden
 - Sydney
 - Tamworth
 - Coffs Harbour
 - Wagga Wagga
 - Melbourne
 - Brisbane
 - Cairns
 - Townsville
 - Rockhampton
 - Adelaide
 - Perth
 - Broome
 - Hobart
 - Darwin

Alice Springs

5. Yes. Consistent with machinery of government changes, staff will transfer with function.

6. The total resources mapped for transfer to IBA (which includes BDP, HOP and corporate) comprise 119 ASL with the following profile:

SES	2
EL2	5
EL1	7
APS6	31
APS5	28
APS4	21
APS3	14
APS2	6
APS1	2
ALO2	1
APAO1	1
Cadet	1