

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

**2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
2 and 3 NOVEMBER 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group: 3.1 Working Age Policy

Output: 3.1.1 Working age policy legislation

Question Number: W434-06

Question:

Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* page 23:

Could the department please provide copies of documents, and dates DEWR has reported to OIPC and the Secretaries' Group in relation to Shepparton area performance?

Answer:

As part of the handing over of responsibility of the lead agent role in Shepparton, DEWR ensured that the Office of Indigenous Policy Coordination (OIPC) was invited to attend the Aboriginal Community Facilitation Group meetings. These meetings regularly report on progress of the COAG trial.

The OIPC convenes a monthly meeting of Australian Government State Managers. COAG trial issues are regularly discussed.

Progress on the Shepparton trial has been reported on a number of occasions to the Secretaries' Group, most recently during the development of the Secretaries' Group annual report.