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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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**Question:** (Senator Abetz)

**Senator ABETZ**—Did you discuss that [Morgan Stanley] report with officials from, let's say, the Victorian state government?

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**Senator ABETZ**—Does that answer include or not include any officials or ministers from the Victorian government?

**Dr Parkinson**—I have not had such a conversation.

**Senator ABETZ**—Is it possible that other people from your department may have had such discussions?

**Senator ABETZ**—Could you take that on notice, just to check up for us.

**Answer:**

On 14 July 2009, the Department (in conjunction with the Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism) organised a workshop with various state government officials (including Victorian Government officials) to discuss the broad methodology to be used for the Morgan Stanley review. As this was at the inception of the review there were no results that could have been discussed.

The Department has not discussed the results of the Morgan Stanley review with officials or Ministers from the Victorian Government at any time due to the high commercial sensitivity of the results of the review.