

**Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

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**Question: PM 22**

**Outcome 1, Output 1.1**

**Topic: Low Emissions Technology Demonstration Fund panel**

**Senator Evans asked: Hansard F&PA page 119**

- (1) What was PM&C's role in the appointment of Mr McClintock to the panel that evaluates the Low Emissions Technology Demonstration Fund? Was PM&C involved at all with that appointment?**
- (2) Were those appointments taken to Cabinet?**
- (3) In terms of the process, are [the appointments] just made by the minister or would they have to be cleared by the Prime Minister? Could you take advice on whether PM&C was consulted or involved in that appointment?**

**Answer:**

The Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources, the Hon Ian Macfarlane MP, and the then Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Senator the Hon Ian Campbell, appointed the Panel members. The Ministers informed the Prime Minister in writing of their appointments. The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet was not involved in the appointment process.