

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

Budget Estimates Hearings 2007-2008, 21-22 May 2007



Question: PM 93

Outcome 1, Output 1.1

Topic: Briefings on carbon emissions trading and climate change

Direct on Notice:

Senator Evans asked:

1. **Can the Department provide a list of dates on which the Prime Minister was briefed on global carbon emissions trading since January 2006?**
2. **Can the Department provide a list of dates on which the Prime Minister was briefed on domestic carbon emissions trading since January 2006?**
3. **Can the Department provide a list of dates on which the Prime Minister was briefed on the link between carbon emissions and climate change since January 2006?**
4. **Did the Department brief the Prime Minister on the recently released IPCC Report which noted that it was almost certain that there is a link between human activity and climate change?**
5. **What other climate change related reports have the Department briefed the Prime Minister on since January 2006?**
6. **Can the Department provide a list of dates on which the Prime Minister was briefed on solar thermal technology since January 2006?**

Answer: The answers to these questions were provided in response to Question on Notice PM 79 from the Additional Budget Estimates 2006-07 hearing in February 2007.