

## BUDGET ESTIMATES 2008-09 —May 2008

## Questions on Notice (QON) index—Department of Climate Change

Answers to QON taken during the Additional Estimates hearings, or written QON submitted thereafter, are due on 11 July 2008.

QON No.	Department / agency	Senator	Hansard Reference	Question	Comments/answer received
CC1	DCC	JOHNSTON	F&PA 101	<p><b>Senator JOHNSTON</b>—So the question is: do we have a written invitation to Professor Garnaut to report to the Commonwealth? A simple question; can you answer it, please?</p> <p><b>Senator Wong</b>—I am not sure if there is something in writing from the Prime Minister, and I would have to take that question on notice.</p>	Answer received 28/07/08.
CC2	DCC	MILNE	F&PA 104	<p><b>Senator MILNE</b>—...Could you tell me now what are Australia's emission projections in the coming year. When you report in December, what are you expecting or tracking towards in stationary energy, transport, land use, land use change and forestry? What is your percentage trend difference from last year?</p> <p><b>Dr Parkinson</b>—I am afraid I do not have that information with me, but it is very easy for us to get it. We can get it to you very quickly.</p> <p><b>Senator MILNE</b>—I would appreciate that, because I would like to know whether there is a percentage increase across those sectors in your projections.</p> <p><b>Senator Wong</b>—Dr Parkinson or an officer can correct me, but I have released our <i>Tracking to Kyoto target</i> report, which does set out this information. We will endeavour to see if there is anything further we can provide.</p>	Answer received 28/07/08.
CC3	DCC	FIFIELD	F&PA 109	<p><b>Senator FIFIELD</b>—Senator Faulkner indicated that his discussion had been minuted and he would have expected that discussions with other cabinet ministers would have been minuted. I appreciate that you may have to take this on notice: could you advise the committee the date on which that discussion with the Prime Minister occurred and who holds copies of those minutes.</p> <p><b>Senator Wong</b>—I will have to take that on notice.</p>	Answer received 28/07/08.
CC4	DCC	FIFIELD	F&PA 109	<p><b>Senator FIFIELD</b>—...Would it be possible for a copy of those minutes to be provided to the committee or if not at least a list of all of the election commitments for which you have ministerial responsibility? One of the issues we pursued with Senator Faulkner earlier, in his capacity as Cabinet Secretary, was whether we could have a list of all election commitments and which ministers have responsibility for those. Senator</p>	Answer received 28/07/08.

				<p>Faulkner kept referring us to <a href="http://www.alp.org.au">www.alp.org.au</a>.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—It is a very useful website</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD</b>—Unfortunately, it did not provide a complete list of all election commitments. So I am asking whether, for your portfolio, it would be possible to have that.</p> <p><b>Senator Wong</b>—I will certainly take it on notice.</p>	
CC5	DCC	JOHNSTON	F&PA 113	<p><b>Senator JOHNSTON</b>—...Can I ask the secretary of the department to come back to me on notice with respect to a full break-up of the \$6,394 with respect to the minister's travel? I think that needs some explanation... I want every leg and what it cost.</p> <p><b>Senator Wong</b>—If that is possible we will seek to obtain that.</p>	Answer received 28/07/08.
CC6	DCC	JOHNSTON	F&PA 116	<p><b>Senator JOHNSTON</b>—When I look at an airfare of \$4,000 for the ordinary officers and I now find out they flew Jetstar, I find that even more incongruous...It just does not fit to me that there would be a \$4,000 average for 18 staff members....Mr Secretary, can we have any further break-up of how these fares panned out? Can you tell me what the booking costs were for the airfare if the time schedule had been met and what we ended up paying?</p> <p><b>Dr Parkinson</b>—We can have a look to see what we can get for you.</p>	Answer received 28/07/08.
CC7a- CC7b	DCC	BIRMINGHAM	Written	See attachment	On 24/06/08 these questions were transferred to the Dept. of Environment for an answer.
CC8	DCC	ABETZ	Written	See attachment	Answer received 28/07/08.
CC9a	DCC	SIEWERT	Written	See attachment	Answer received 28/07/08.
CC9b	DCC	SIEWERT	Written	See attachment	Answer received 28/07/08.

**Written Questions on Notice**

**CC7a–(BIRMINGHAM)**

Prior to the election, then Shadow Environment Minister Peter Garrett told the ABC's Lateline that there needed to be a review of farm viability in Australia as a result of climate change? How will this Government policy be implemented?

**CC7b–(BIRMINGHAM)**

What in the Government's view constitutes a viable farm and has or will the Minister or the Department be implementing any review or studies into the environmental or financial viability of farms in Australia as a result of climate change? Who will be heading up the review? What will be the terms of reference? Will farmers be able to make submissions to the review and how will it affected water users and farmers?

**CC8–(ABETZ)**

Does the Australian Government support any credible methods through which Australian farmers can measure their emissions from farm activity?

**CC9a–(SIEWERT)**

What is the current annual CO<sub>2</sub>-e emissions load output from Western Australia?

**CC9b–(SIEWERT)**

What are the projected annual CO<sub>2</sub>-e emissions from Woodside Train 5, Pluto Trains 1, 2 and 3, the current IMPEX proposal and Woodside Browse Basin Joint Venture and the proposed Gorgon Venture prior to any geosequestration?