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**Asked By: Senator JOYCE**

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**Senator JOYCE:** Does it give you the capacity for feedback, in terms of the information that is being sent out?

**Ms Foster:** Yes, I am sure it does. I do not have details of the feedback to hand, but we can follow up and see what we have.

**Answer:**

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) has developed a toolkit which will be provided to councils to assist them to participate in the campaign for constitutional recognition of local government. ALGA has advised that this toolkit will be distributed to councils in 2011-12. This toolkit has been developed on the basis of feedback from previous campaigns that ALGA has run for councils and includes press releases, articles and editorial information. ALGA has also advised that it has an ongoing dialogue with Mayors and state local government associations in all its work.