

**Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**  
**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**  
**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**  
**Department of Climate Change**  
**Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing—October 2008**



**Written question reference:** CC15a-e

**Outcome/Output:** Response to climate change

**Topic:** The Garnaut Climate Change Review

**Hansard Page:** Not relevant for written QoN

**Question: (Senator Fifield)**

- a) Can you confirm that the Garnaut Report was funded by taxpayers?
- b) I understand that Professor Garnaut's final report is available for sale through Cambridge University Press for \$70 per copy, is that correct? Who is receiving the revenue from the sales?
- c) Is Professor Garnaut receiving any financial benefit from the sale of the Report?
- d) Is Cambridge University Press receiving any financial benefit from the sale of the Report?
- e) Does the Department consider that private individuals or organisations receiving financial benefit from work paid for by taxpayers is appropriate?

**Answer:**

- a) Yes.
- b) As of 12 November 2008, the Garnaut Climate Change Review Final Report was available on the Cambridge University Press website for \$79.95 including GST. Cambridge University Press is receiving the revenue from the sales.
- c) No.
- d) Cambridge University Press is receiving the revenue from the sale of the report.
- e) Principle 13 of the "Intellectual Property Principles for Australian Government Agencies" produced by the Attorney-General's Department states that "Agencies should be responsive to opportunities for commercial use and exploitation of Intellectual Property, including by the private sector. Agencies should consider the potential benefits that may be realised through appropriate transfer and uptake of Intellectual Property, including commercialisation by the private or other sectors which can result in cost savings, and continued development of the product or service."