

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee—
Supplementary Budget Estimates October 2008**

Parliament Portfolio, Department of Parliamentary Services

Answers to Questions on Notice

Topic: Estimated cost to DPS of Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme.

Questions P15a-P15c, Written questions on notice

P15a—DPS (BOSWELL)

What if any steps have been taken to estimate the costs of the government's response to climate change including the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme for the Department of Parliamentary Services?

P15b—DPS (BOSWELL)

What are the costs and estimated costs identified (reported separately)?

P15c—DPS (BOSWELL)

Have any costs been included in forward estimates and if so where?

Answers

P15a

1 The Department of Parliamentary Services has taken no action yet in relation to this initiative. However, over recent years DPS has achieved significant reductions in energy consumption for Parliament House. We are currently completing a further "energy audit" for the building—to be completed in the next few weeks—which should allow us to identify further energy efficiencies.

P15b

2 No costs have been estimated or identified at this time.

P15c

3 Not at this stage.

