Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARINGS

PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET PORTFOLIO

Department/Agency: Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government

Outcome: 1

Topic: Previous questions on notice from May 2010

Senator: MACDONALD **Question reference number:** 1

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Senator IAN MACDONALD—No. I am asking you how many of those questions taken on notice by the department for which you do have responsibility now were submitted by the department to the minister prior to 21 July, as directed by the resolution of the Senate?

Ms Beauchamp—I would have to take that on notice because I am not sure how many were submitted to the minister. From my understanding in terms of what I have observed, none of the answers were actually provided to a minister's office.

Number of pages: 1 Answer:

In the May 2010 Senate Estimates period the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government (DITRDLG) received 211 questions on notice: of these, 29 questions related to programs that are now the responsibility of the Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government (DRARDLG).

DITRDLG submitted answers to all 211 questions to the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government prior to 21 July 2010.