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:** Intergovernmental agreement on cost shifting

Senator: MACDONALND Question reference number: 39 Type of question: Written, Tuesday 19 October 2010 Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 3 December 2010

- a) The Intergovernmental Agreement on Cost Shifting is due for review before 12th April 2011. What arrangements have been put in place for the review process to take place?
- b) Are there any plans for internal or public inquiry into the renewal of the Intergovernmental Agreement on Cost Shifting?

Number of pages: 1 Answer:

a)-b) The 2006 Inter-governmental Agreement Establishing Principles to Guide Inter-Governmental Relations on Local Government Matters provides for a review within five years of the date of the commencement of the agreement.