SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Question No. 2

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 23 May 2007:

With regard to the Government's "National Plan for Water Security" launched by the Prime Minister on 25 January 2007:

- a) Was the department requested to provide input into the development of the plan or an assessment of any aspect of the plan?
- i) If so, when and by who? What was the nature of the request?
- b) Did the department provide any input into the development of the plan or an assessment of any aspect of the plan?
 - i) If so, when and to who? What was the nature of the input?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The Department was not asked to provide, and did not provide, input into the development of the Australian Government's *National Plan for Water Security* launched on 25 January 2007.