

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION SERVICE

**Question No. 71**

**Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 26 May 2009:**

When is the Government's response likely in relation to the replacement of the Customs Bay class vessels?

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

A request for proposals is expected to be released to the shipbuilding sector in third quarter-2009 to inform Second Pass Business Case options for replacement of the Bay Class vessels. These options are being developed for Government consideration in the context of the 2010-11 Budget.