

**Donney, Emma**

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**From:** Aldred, Tom  
**Sent:** Monday, 13 February 2012 9:56 PM  
**To:** DAFF Senate Estimates; Donney, Emma  
**Subject:** Fwd: Independent verification group dates

Emma - in case Fran or Conall don't read this could you print it and walk a copy in please?  
Thanks  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Aldred, Tom"  
**Date:** 13 February 2012 9:53:43 PM AEDT  
**To:** "Freeman, Fran" < >, "O'Connell, Conall"  
**Cc:** "Ruscoe, Ian" < >, "Talbot, John" < >  
**Subject:** Independent verification group dates

Fran, Conall - I said I'd get back to Senator Colbeck on a couple of dates after the break. Ian Ruscoe has kindly put this together and it responds to some of the Senator's requests. I'm assuming he will have some on notice but if you are able to read this out it'll at least show good faith in seeking the info.  
Tom

The Terms of Reference for the Independent Verification process were discussed and agreed with all Signatories on 18 August 2011, and endorsed and publicly released by both Governments on 19 August 2011. The Signatories also endorsed the verification process and have committed to accept the results once it is completed, noting that the process will include extensive ongoing consultation with the Signatories.

A list of possible members was discussed and agreed with Signatories on 31 August 2011. The final decision on appointment of members from this list was made by the Australian and Tasmanian governments on 22 September 2011. There was an initial meeting with signatories to the Statement of Principles on 23 September 2011.

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By: Dr O'Connell, Secretary, DAFF.

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