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Topic: Urban Congestion Management

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Senator I.Macdonald asked:

Senator IAN MACDONALD—Is someone genuinely doing the work to make sure that in 20 years time we do not end up like Los Angeles, Brussels or Rotterdam are at the moment?

Ms Riggs—Perhaps I could describe two of the elements of the work program for the urban congestion group, which is led by Victoria, to illustrate the fact that we are bringing forward practical and helpful tools and information to assist planners, to assist governments in making decisions and to make them aware of the array of measures that might be available to them. Some work will be done jointly, potentially, between both the climate change group and the urban congestion group on guidelines to ensure a better integration of transport and land use planning. The second element is a piece of advice for transport ministers on the impacts and practicality of the range of pricing options available to assist them in better managing urban congestion.

Senator IAN MACDONALD—Thank you for that. That is interesting. If you have other things to say I would appreciate that on notice

Answer:

The Department has nothing further to add to its response.