

Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Question No. NTS 01

Division/Agency: National Transport Strategy

Topic: A single national system of heavy vehicle regulation

Hansard Page/s: Written

Senator ADAMS asked:

Senator ADAMS — I refer to the decision by the Australian Transport Ministers on 25 July 2007 to build a single national system of heavy vehicle regulation and adopt a consistent approach to licensing.

In the nearly three months that has passed since that decision, what progress has been made in its implementation?

Answer:

The Commonwealth is leading work on a draft consultation RIS on the ATC-agreed framework. Public consultations will take place in early 2009. An analysis of consultation outcomes will be included in a final draft RIS for ATC's consideration prior to presentation to COAG.

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Senator WILLIAMS asked:

Senator WILLIAMS — I understand that the Australian Governments have agreed to create a single national regulator for heavy vehicles by July 2009. Please give the Committee an update on how this agreement is being progressed.

Answer:

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