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TO: SENATORS, MEMBERS AND OTHER BUILDING OCCUPANTS

**Parliament House participating in Earth Hour on 27 March 2010**

- 1 For each of the three years since the inception of Earth Hour, the Department of Parliamentary Services has registered Parliament House to participate. Details for this year are set out below.
- 2 Earth Hour 2010 will be observed on Saturday, 27 March 2010 between 8.30pm and 9.30pm.
- 3 All non-essential building lights will be turned off.
- 4 Access to the building will continue as usual with the following exceptions:
  - (a) the Forecourt area will be closed; and
  - (b) the Front Entrance will be accessible using only the western side staircase, although vehicles will continue to be able to enter and exit the public car park,.
- 5 When you leave Parliament House, please remember to turn off all lights, personal computers, monitors, printers, photocopiers, televisions, video players and any other electrical equipment that does not need to operate.
- 6 All relevant occupational health and safety guidelines and standards will be adhered to during the event. Emergency lighting and security systems will remain on as normal.
- 7 Further information about Earth Hour can be found at [www.earthhour.org](http://www.earthhour.org)
- 8 For any queries, please contact Sami Osman, DPS Environmental Sustainability Manager, on 6277 5117 or by email at [sami.osman@aph.gov.au](mailto:sami.osman@aph.gov.au).

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