

The Senate

BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Public Hearings: **Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013–14**
Monday, 18 and Tuesday, 19 November 2013

Committee Room 2S3
Parliament House
Canberra ACT

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AGENDA

Monday, 18 November 2013

9.00 am	Environment Portfolio
	Department of the Environment
9.00 am	General questions of the Department
	Outcome 5: Increased protection, awareness and appreciation of Australia's environment and heritage through regulating matters of national environmental significance and the identification, conservation and celebration of natural, Indigenous and historic places of national and World Heritage significance
9.30 am	Office of Supervising Scientist
9.50 am	<i>Program 5.2: Environmental Regulation</i>
Morning Tea: 10.45–11.00 am	
11.00 am	<i>Program 5.1: Conservation of Australia's Heritage and Environment</i>
11.45 am	Outcome 3: Advancement of Australia's strategic, scientific, environmental and economic interests in the Antarctic by protecting, administering and researching the region
11.45 am	<i>Program 3.1: Antarctica: Science, Policy and Presence</i>
12.15 pm	Outcome 1: The conservation and protection of Australia's terrestrial and marine biodiversity and ecosystems through supporting research, developing information, supporting natural resource management, and

	establishing and managing Commonwealth protected areas
12.15 pm	Bureau of Meteorology
Lunch: 1.00–2.00 pm	
2.00 pm	Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
2.30 pm	Director of National Parks
3.00 pm	<i>Program 1.1: Sustainable Management of Natural Resources and the Environment</i>
Afternoon Tea: 4.00–4.15 pm	
4.15 pm	<i>Program 1.2: Environment Information and Research</i>
4.45 pm	<i>Program 1.3: Carbon Pollution Reduction – Land Sector Initiatives</i>
	Land Sector Taskforce
5.15 pm	Outcome 7: Reduction of Australia's greenhouse gas emissions, adaptation to the impacts of climate change, and contribution towards the negotiation of an effective global solution to climate change, through the development and implementation of a national response to climate change
5.15 pm	Clean Energy Regulator
5.40 pm	<i>Program 7.1: Reducing Australia's Greenhouse Gas Emissions</i>
Dinner: 6.00–7.00 pm	
7.00 pm	Climate Change Authority
7.35 pm	<i>Program 7.2: Adapting to Climate Change</i>
8.00 pm	Outcome 4: Adaptation to climate change, wise water use, secure water supplies and improved health of rivers, waterways and freshwater ecosystems by supporting research, and reforming the management and use of water resources
8.00 pm	Murray-Darling Basin Authority
8.00 pm	<i>Program 4.1: Water Reform</i>
Tea break: 9.00–9.15 pm	
9.15 pm	Outcome 6: Protection and restoration of environmental assets through the management and use of Commonwealth environmental water
9.15 pm	Commonwealth Environmental Water Office
9.15 pm	<i>Program 6.1: Commonwealth Environmental Water</i>
9.40 pm	National Water Commission
10.15 pm	Outcome 2: Improved sustainability of Australia's population, communities and environment through coordination and development of sustainable population and communities policies, and the reduction and regulation of waste, pollutants and hazardous substances
10.15 pm	<i>Program 2.1: Management of Hazardous Wastes, Substances and Pollutants</i>
10.40 pm	<i>Program 2.2: Sustainable Communities</i>
11.00 pm	Adjournment

<u>Tuesday, 19 November 2013</u>	
9.00 am	Communications Portfolio
	Department of Communications
9.00 am	General questions of the department
9.30 am	Outcome 1—Develop a vibrant, sustainable and internationally competitive broadband, broadcasting and communications sector, through policy development, advice and program delivery, which promotes the digital economy for all Australians
9.30 am	Australia Post
Morning Tea: 10.45–11.00 am	
	Australia Post
12.15 pm	Special Broadcasting Service
Lunch: 12.45–1.45 pm	
1.45 pm	Australian Broadcasting Corporation
3.00 pm	Australian Communications and Media Authority
Afternoon Tea: 4.00–4.15 pm	
	Australian Communications and Media Authority
4.30 pm	NBN Co
Dinner: 6.00–7.00 pm	
7.00 pm	NBN Co cont.
8.30 pm	<i>Program 1.1: Broadband and Communications Infrastructure</i>
Tea break: 9.00–9.15 pm	
9.45 pm	<i>Program 1.2: Digital Economy and Postal Services</i>
10.15 pm	<i>Program 1.3: Broadcasting and Digital Television</i>
11.00 pm	Adjournment

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