

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2010-11 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross

**Question No:** 073

**Topic:** Travel costs

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Fifield** asked:

How have staff within the department and portfolio agencies found the new arrangements?  
For example is it more efficient to arrange travel?

**Answer:**

FaHCSIA is currently operating under an Interim Agency Agreement with its previous Travel Management Company until next year (after approaching Finance's panel of Travel Management Companies). Other than the pricing structure of the Whole of Australian Government (WoAG) Travel Arrangement, negotiated by the Department of Finance and Deregulation, there is no change from the services provided under the previous arrangement for FaHCSIA and its participating portfolio agencies.