

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
**Environment portfolio**

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**Hearing:** Supplementary Budget Estimates

**Outcome:** Outcome 7

**Programme:** Emissions Reduction Fund Taskforce

**Topic:** Carbon Tax – Emissions Numbers

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**Question Type:** Written

**Senator Urquhart asked:**

What is the total of all of those emissions numbers that have been reported to date? Is the total amount of liable emissions lower than first thought? Is it likely that some of these reductions in overall emissions are attributable to the introduction of the carbon price on 1 July 2012?

**Answer:**

The total of all emissions numbers, as reported to date (for the 2012-13 reporting year), are equivalent to 284,879,796 tonnes of carbon dioxide.

Detailed information about the reported emissions numbers is available from the Liable Entities Public Information Database, which is published by the Clean Energy Regulator on its website.

This is the first time liable entities have reported covered emission numbers. For prior years, including the 2011-12 year, corporations registered under National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting legislation were required to report their scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions by 31 October 2013. Scope 1 emissions are not the same as emissions covered by the carbon tax, and comparison with previous years is not therefore possible.