

Senate Select Committee on Electric Vehicles
Questions on Notice
Canberra public hearing (Friday 17 August 2018)

Questions from Hansard –Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities

Question No.	Asked by	Question
1.	Senator Patrick (pp 75–76)	<p style="text-align: center;">Senator PATRICK: I presume you somehow know who may have attended. On notice, for each of the departments, I ask that you provide to the committee the notebooks of officials that have attended insofar as there are notes relating to electric vehicles. Everyone's okay with that?</p> <p>Mr Foulds: We'll take it on notice, thank you.</p> <p>Mr Power: We'll take it on notice.</p>
2.	Senator Patrick (pp 76)	<p>Senator PATRICK: Obviously there would be assumptions going into the models as to what you expect the uptake of vehicles to be; otherwise, the model would make no sense. On notice, can you please provide the committee with what assumptions have been provided from government to the modellers.</p> <p>Mr Foulds: I'll take that on notice, Senator.</p>

ANSWERS:

1. In response to your question, the Department has asked all current officials who attended meetings of the Ministerial Forum on Vehicle Emissions to review their notebooks for meeting notes relating to electric vehicles. The Department can confirm that the relevant notebooks have been destroyed or contained no notes relating to electric vehicles.
2. In 2017, the Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities commissioned the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), in conjunction with Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics, to produce a report modelling the potential impacts on Australian road revenue and expenditure using scenarios to 2050. The modelling relating to uptake of electric vehicles in that research was the original work of the CSIRO. The Australian Government did not provide assumptions to the modellers.