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Climate Change and Energy Efficiency Portfolio
Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency

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Senator Fisher asked:

CHAIR—Thank you. With whom did the government consult prior to Minister Garrett’s 19 February announcement?

Mr Thompson—I would have to take that on notice to give you a full answer.

Answer:

The Government took into account the experience of the first six months of the Green Loans program when considering what changes should be made to the program. Feedback from assessors and assessor organisations was considered.

Recommendations provided by ABSA, such as capping the number of assessments that could be undertaken by assessors, were also taken into consideration by the Government.

The Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts consulted with central agencies prior to the 19 February 2010 announcement.