Inquiry into the Annual Performance Statements 2021–22 Submission 3 - Supplementary Submission **Public Accounts and Audit** Answers to questions on notice **Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Portfolio**

Inquiry:	Inquiry into the Annual Performance Statements 2021–22
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Division/Agency:	Portfolio Strategy Division
Topic:	Performance measures: methodologies and data sources
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The Committee asked:

1. The ANAO's report had findings for then DAWE that the methodologies and data sources used for its performance measures were not robust. Is this a concern for the department? a. How is the department considering these issues for the current performance statements cycle?

Answer:

1. The Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water was established in July 2022 to lead Australia's response to climate change and sustainable energy use, and to protect our environment, heritage and water.

We are taking the development of our performance information very seriously as a means of informing the Parliament, the public, our stakeholders and staff on how we are delivering on our purposes.

a. Following the establishment of the department, we have put in place assurance processes, including measure profiles documenting how we meet the requirements of 16EA of the PGPA Rule, certifications by measure owners and executives and independent review by our Audit Committee. The department continues to review and refine its performance information to ensure compliance with our legislative obligations.