

The Senate

BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Public Hearings: Additional Estimates 2012–13
Monday, 11 and Tuesday, 12 February 2013

Committee Room 2S3
Parliament House
Canberra ACT

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AGENDA

Monday, 11 February 2013

9.00 am	Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy Portfolio
9.00 am	Australian Broadcasting Corporation
10.20 am	Climate Change and Energy Efficiency Portfolio
	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency (DCCEE)
10.20 am	General questions of the Department
Morning Tea: 10.45–11.00 am	
11.00 am	Outcome 1: Reduction of Australia's greenhouse gas emissions, adaptation to the impacts of climate change, and negotiation of an effective global solution, through the development and implementation of a national response to climate change; and bilateral, regional and multilateral engagement internationally
11.00 am	<i>Program 1.1: Reducing Australia's greenhouse gas emissions</i>
12.30 pm	Clean Energy Regulator
Lunch: 1.00–2.00 pm	
	Clean Energy Regulator <i>in continuation</i>

2.45 pm	Climate Change Authority
3.15 pm	<i>Program 1.2: Improving Australia's Energy Efficiency</i>
Afternoon Tea: 3.45–4.00 pm	
	<i>Program 1.2: Improving Australia's Energy Efficiency in continuation</i>
4.30 pm	<i>Program 1.3: Adapting to Climate Change</i>
5.15 pm	<i>Program 1.4: Helping to shape a global climate change solution</i>
Dinner: 6.00–7.00 pm	
7.00 pm	Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities Portfolio
	Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (DSEWPaC)
7.00 pm	General questions of the Department
	Outcome 1: The conservation and protection of Australia's terrestrial and marine biodiversity and ecosystems through supporting research, developing information, supporting natural resource management, and establishing and managing Commonwealth protected areas
7.20 pm	Bureau of Meteorology
7.50 pm	Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
8.20 pm	Director of National Parks
8.40 pm	<i>Program 1.1: Sustainable Management of Natural Resources and the Environment</i>
Tea break: 9.00–9.15 pm	
	<i>Program 1.1: Sustainable Management of Natural Resources and the Environment in continuation</i>
10.00 pm	<i>Program 1.2: Environmental Information and Research</i>
10.30 am	<i>Program 1.3: Carbon Pollution Reduction – Land Sector Initiatives</i>
	Land Sector Taskforce
11.00 pm	Adjournment
<u>Tuesday, 12 February 2013</u>	
9.00 am	Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities Portfolio
	Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (DSEWPaC)
9.00 am	Outcome 2: Improved sustainability of Australia's population, communities and environment through coordination and development of sustainable population and communities policies, and the reduction and regulation of waste, pollutants and hazardous substances

9.00 am	<i>Program 2.1: Management of Hazardous Wastes, Substances and Pollutants</i>
9.30 am	Outcome 5: Increased protection, awareness and appreciation of Australia's environment and heritage through regulating matters of national environmental significance and the identification, conservation and celebration of natural, Indigenous and historic places of national and World Heritage significance
9.30 am	Sydney Harbour Federation Trust
9.50 am	<i>Program 5.1: Conservation of Australia's Heritage and Environment</i>
10.20am	<i>Program 5.2: Environmental Regulation</i>
Morning Tea: 10.45–11.00 am	
	<i>Program 5.2: Environmental Regulation in continuation</i>
12 noon	Outcome 4: Adaptation to climate change, wise water use, secure water supplies and improved health of rivers, waterways and freshwater ecosystems by supporting research, and reforming the management and use of water resources
12 noon	Murray-Darling Basin Authority
12 noon	<i>Program 4.1: Water Reform</i>
Lunch: 1.00–2.00 pm	
	Murray-Darling Basin Authority / <i>Program 4.1: Water Reform in continuation</i>
2.20 pm	Outcome 6: Protection and restoration of environmental assets through the management and use of Commonwealth environmental water
2.20 pm	Commonwealth Environmental Water Office
2.20 pm	<i>Program 6.1: Commonwealth Environmental Water</i>
2.40 pm	National Water Commission
3.00 pm	Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy Portfolio
	Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy (DBCDE)
3.00 pm	General questions of the department
	Outcome 1—Develop a vibrant, sustainable and internationally competitive broadband, broadcasting and communications sector, through policy development, advice and program delivery, which promotes the digital economy for all Australians
3.20 pm	Australia Post
Afternoon Tea: 4.00–4.15 pm	
4.15 pm	<i>Program 1.2: Digital Economy and Postal Services</i>
4.45 pm	Special Broadcasting Service
5.15 pm	Australian Communications and Media Authority

Dinner: 6.15–7.15 pm	
7.15 pm	<i>Program 1.3: Broadcasting and Digital Television</i>
8.00 pm	<i>Program 1.1: Broadband and Communications Infrastructure</i>
8.30 pm	NBN Co
Tea break: 9.15–9.30 pm	
	NBN Co <i>in continuation</i>
11.00 pm	Adjournment

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