

The Senate

BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE ARTS

**Public Hearings: Additional Estimates 2008–2009
Monday, 23 and Tuesday, 24 February 2009**

**Committee Room 2S3
Parliament House
Canberra ACT**

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AGENDA

MONDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2009

Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy Portfolio

**Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital
Economy (DBCDE)**

**Outcome 1—Development of a vibrant, sustainable and internationally
competitive broadband and communications sector which promotes the
digital economy for the benefit of all Australians**

9.00 am **Australia Post**
Australian Broadcasting Corporation
Special Broadcasting Service
Australian Communications and Media Authority
DBCDE Output 1.1 Policy advice and program management that delivers
competitively priced, accessible and high quality broadband and other communication
services and that supports the digital economy

9.15 pm Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts Portfolio

Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts (DEWHA)
**Outcome 4—Development of a rich and stimulating cultural sector for all
Australians**

Australia Council

Screen Australia

DEWHA Output 4.1—Policy advice, program management and agency support which promotes excellence in, preservation and maintenance of, and access to Australia's cultural activities, national cultural collections and buildings, and indigenous language

11.00pm **Adjournment**

TUESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2009

Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts Portfolio

Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts (DEWHA)

9.00 am *Outcome 1—The environment, especially those aspects that are matters of national environmental significance, is protected and conserved*

Bureau of Meteorology

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

Supervising Scientist

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

Director of National Parks

DEWHA Output 1.1—Energy Efficiency and Climate Change Action

DEWHA Output 1.2—Conservation of the land and inland waters

DEWHA Output 1.3—Conservation of the coasts and oceans

DEWHA Output 1.4—Conservation of natural, indigenous and historic heritage

DEWHA Output 1.5—Response to the impacts of human settlements

Outcome 2—Australia's interests in Antarctica are advanced

DEWHA Output 2.1—Antarctic policy

DEWHA Output 2.2—Antarctic science

Outcome 3—More efficient and sustainable use of Australia's water resources

Murray-Darling Basin Authority

National Water Commission

DEWHA Output 3.1—Sustainable management of water resources

DEWHA Output 3.2—Achieving efficiencies in water us

11.00pm **Adjournment**

BREAKS	Morning tea	10.45am approx	
	Lunch	1.00pm	2.00pm
	Afternoon tea	3.45pm approx	
	Dinner	6.00pm	7.00pm
	Tea break	9.00pm approx	

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