

the Senate BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

Public Hearings: ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES FOR 2009-10

Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 February 2010

**Committee Room 2R1
Parliament House
Canberra ACT**

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AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2010

9.00am Treasury Portfolio

9.00am-10.15am Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC)
Outcome 1: Lawful competition, consumer protection, and regulated national infrastructure markets and services through regulation, including enforcement, education, price monitoring and determining the terms of access to infrastructure services

10.15am-10.30am Morning Tea

10.30am-12.00pm Productivity Commission

Outcome 1: Well-informed policy decision-making and public understanding on matter relating to Australia's productivity and living standards, based on independent and transparent analysis from a community-wide perspective.

12.00pm	Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio
12.00pm-12.15pm	Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO) Outcome 1: Improved knowledge, innovative capacity and healthcare through nuclear-based facilities, research, training, products, services and advice to Government, industry, the education sector and the Australian population
12.15pm-1.15pm	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) Outcome 1: Innovative scientific and technology solutions to national challenges and opportunities to benefit industry, the environment and the community, through scientific research and capability development, services and advice
<i>1.15pm-2.15pm</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
2.15pm-2.30pm	Australian Research Council (ARC) Outcome 1: Growth of knowledge and innovation through managing research funding schemes, measuring research excellence and providing advice
2.30pm-2.45pm	Office of the Chief Scientist
2.45pm-4.00pm	Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research [Science and Research] Outcome 2: The generation, utilisation and awareness of science and research knowledge through investment in research, research training and infrastructure, science communication, skill development and collaboration with industry, universities and research institutes domestically and internationally
<i>4.00pm-4.15pm</i>	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
4.15pm-6.15pm	Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research [Innovation and Industry] Outcome 1: Enhanced opportunities for business innovation and growth through national leadership in converting knowledge and ideas into new processes, services, products and marketable devices; fostering business cooperation; delivering advice; assistance; and business, measurement and online services

6.15pm	Resources, Energy and Tourism Portfolio
6.15pm-6.30pm	Geoscience Australia Outcome 1: Informed government, industry and community decisions on the economic, social and environmental management of the nation's natural resources through enabling access to geoscientific and spatial information
<i>6.30pm-7.30pm</i>	<i>Dinner Break</i>
7.30pm-9.00pm	Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism [Resources and Energy] Outcome 1: The improved strength, competitiveness and sustainability of the Resources, Energy and Tourism industries to enhance Australia's prosperity through implementation of government policy and programs
9.00pm	Treasury Portfolio
9.00pm-9.45pm	The Treasury [Revenue Group] Outcome 1: Informed decisions on the development and implementation of policies to improve the wellbeing of the Australian people, including by achieving strong, sustainable economic growth, through the provision of advice to government and the efficient administration of federal financial relations
	Australian Tax Office (ATO)
	Outcome 1: Confidence in the administration of aspect of Australia's taxation and superannuation systems through helping people understand their rights and obligations, improving ease of compliance and access to benefits, and managing non-compliance with the law
<i>9.45pm-10.00pm</i>	<i>Tea break</i>
10.00pm-11.00pm	The Treasury [Revenue Group][ATO](Continue)
<i>11.00pm (approx)</i>	<i>Adjournment</i>

THURSDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2010

9.00am	Resources, Energy and Tourism Portfolio
9.00am-9.30am	Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism [Tourism] Outcome 1: The improved strength, competitiveness and sustainability of the Resources, Energy and Tourism industries to enhance Australia's prosperity through implementation of government policy and programs
9.30am-10.00am	Tourism Australia Outcome 1: Increase demand for Australia as a destination, strengthen the travel distribution system, and contribute to the development of a sustainable tourism industry through consumer marketing, trade development and research activities
10.00am	Treasury Portfolio
10.00am –10.45am	The Treasury [Macroeconomic Group] Outcome 1: Informed decisions on the development and implementation of policies to improve the wellbeing of the Australian people, including by achieving strong, sustainable economic growth, through the provision of advice to government and the efficient administration of federal financial relations
10.45am-11.00am	<i>Morning Tea</i>
11.00am-1.00pm	The Treasury [Macroeconomic Group](continued)
1.00pm-2.00pm	<i>Lunch</i>
2.00pm-3.45pm	The Treasury [Fiscal Group] Outcome 1: Informed decisions on the development and implementation of policies to improve the wellbeing of the Australian people, including by achieving strong, sustainable economic growth, through the provision of advice to government and the efficient administration of federal financial relations
3.45pm-4.00pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>

4.00pm-6.15pm	The Treasury [Markets Group] Outcome 1: Informed decisions on the development and implementation of policies to improve the wellbeing of the Australian people, including by achieving strong, sustainable economic growth, through the provision of advice to government and the efficient administration of federal financial relations
6.15pm-7.15pm	<i>Dinner</i>
7.15pm-8.15pm	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) Outcome 1: Enhanced public confidence in Australia's financial institutions through a framework of prudential regulations which balances financial safety and efficiency, competition, contestability and competitive neutrality
8.15pm-8.45pm	Australian Office of Financial Management (AOFM) Outcome 1: To enhance the Commonwealth's capacity to manage its net debt portfolio, offering the prospect of savings in debt servicing costs and an improvement in the net worth of the Commonwealth over time
8.45pm-9.00pm	Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Outcome 1: Informed decisions, research and discussion within governments and the community by leading the collection, analysis and provision of high quality, objective and relevant statistical information
9.00pm-9.45pm	Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) Outcome 1: Improved confidence in financial market integrity and protection of investors and consumers through research, policy, education, compliance and deterrence that mitigates emerging risks
	Outcome 2: Streamlined and cost-effective interaction and access to information for business and the public, through registry, licensing and business facilitation services
9.45pm-10.00pm	<i>Tea Break</i>
9.45pm-11.00pm	Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC)(continued)
11:00pm(approx)	<i>Adjournment</i>

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