

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2012-13 Budget Estimates Hearings**

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**Question No:** 26

**Topic:** EPBC Act

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**Senator McKenzie** asked:

Has the Murray-Darling Basin Authority sought FaHCSIA's advice on the development of their socio-economic modelling around the release of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan?

**Answer:**

The Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) has not sought FaHCSIA's advice on the development of their socio-economic modelling around the release of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan. However, the MDBA has kept FaHCSIA informed about the development of the modelling through the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities.