

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2011-12 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross

**Question No:** 75

**Topic:** Carbon Price Legislation

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator McKenzie** asked:

- a. How was your department/agency consulted in the development of the carbon price package?
- b. Is the carbon price package consistent with all of the policies in your department/agency?

**Answer:**

- a. The Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) was closely involved in development of the household assistance initiatives that are part of the Clean Energy Future package announced by Government on 10 July 2011.

FaHCSIA participated in inter-departmental committees and working groups relating to the development and design of the household assistance component of the Clean Energy Future package. FaHCSIA continues to participate in the implementation of household assistance initiatives.

- b. FaHCSIA is unable to comment on government policy.