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**Senator Urquhart asked:**

What exactly is the process envisioned for the 2017 Climate Change Review?  
Can you provide an outline of the process with dates; discussion paper, submissions, options paper, public hearings, final review report, or the like?

**Answer:**

The Government announced the terms of reference for its review of climate change policies on 5 December 2016. A discussion paper was released on 24 March 2017, seeking submissions by 5 May 2017. The Department of the Environment and Energy, which is leading the Government's review, is consulting broadly throughout the process. The review will be concluded by the end of 2017.

Departmental officials have attended a range of meetings including workshops, conferences and one-on-one meetings. As at 6 April 2017, the Department has met with more than 190 stakeholders since the Review Terms of Reference were released.

Information on the review is published on the Department's website at <http://environment.gov.au/climate-change/review-climate-change-policies>.