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Senator Urquhart asked:

Will the review hold public hearings?

a. If so, how many and where - will public hearings be held across the country?

b. If no, why not?

c. If undecided, who will make this decision and based on what criteria?

Answer:

The Department is consulting broadly with businesses and community organisations to support the review of climate change policies. At this stage, the general public is able to contribute to the review by making a submission by 5 May 2017 on a discussion paper released on 24 March 2017.

Departmental officials have attended a range of meetings on the review 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 on 5 Dec 2016.