

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications  
Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
**Environment portfolio**

**Question No:** 181  
**Hearing:** Budget Estimates  
**Outcome:** Corporate  
**Programme:** Corporate Strategies Division (CSD)  
**Topic:** PORTFOLIO WIDE - REVIEWS  
**Hansard Page:** N/A  
**Question Date:** 11 June 2014  
**Question Type:** Written

**Senator Ludwig asked:**

Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, what reviews are on-going?

- a) Please list them.
- b) What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?

**Answer:**

**Department of the Environment**

a-b) See Table 1 below

**Table 1:** On-going reviews as at 30 April 2014.

<b>Review</b>	<b>Current cost (\$) inclusive of GSTas at 30 April 2014</b>
Expert Panel on a Declared Commercial Fishing Activity	217,424.65
Leaking Bundwall at the Port of Gladstone	20407.10
20 Year Australian Antarctic Strategic Plan	289,802.43

**Portfolio Agencies**

With the exception of the Climate Change Authority, portfolio agencies provided a 'nil' response for all questions listed above:

## Climate Change Authority

a-b) See Table 2 below.

**Table 2:** On-going reviews as at 30 April 2014.

<b>Review</b>	<b>Current cost (\$) inclusive of GSTas at 30 April 2014</b>
Transport Research Paper	See note below*
International Emissions Reductions Research Paper	See note below*
International Climate Action Research Paper	See note below*

**\*Note:** The Climate Change Authority staff work across a range of tasks concurrently and does not track expenses for its reviews separately so this information is not readily available. It would be a substantial and unreasonable diversion of resources for the Authority to attempt to answer this question.