

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013-2014**

**Finance Portfolio**

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**Topic:** AWD Project Schedule

**Senator:** Dastyari

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**Question:**

**Senator DASTYARI:**

I will be fairly brief; I am quite conscious of the time. There are a couple of questions that I might just raise with you now but ask you to have a bit of an opportunity to consider them and take them on notice. There are one or two that I would not mind getting answered now, but with others I think probably it would be more beneficial for everybody to give you the opportunity to come back and be able to answer them in detail. In October you launched your strategic policy paper on a sustainable Australian naval industry. I would not mind hearing from you, if you are able, an outline of the recommendations of the paper to sustain a robust and self-reliant Australian naval industry...

Also, in doing so, perhaps you would be able to table on notice, with the AWD project, the project schedule—where things are at, how it is all travelling.

**Mr Ludlam:** Perhaps I could take the second part first. We will be able, through the alliance, to table that progress schedule, and we would be pleased to do that.

**Answer:**

The Air Warfare Destroyer project schedule forecasts ship deliveries in March 2016, September 2017 and March 2019.