

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

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Hearing: Additional Estimates
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Programme: Policy and Communications Division
Topic: Portfolio wide - Freedom of Information email address
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Senator Ludwig asked:

Does the department have a separate email address or inbox for receiving and responding to FOI requests?

a) If so, list each email account

b) List the officers who can assess and reply from those separate accounts, broken down by staffing classification level

Answer:

Department of the Environment

(Including the Director of National Parks)

Yes

a) The Department's FOI Contact Officer email address is foi@environment.gov.au.

b) There are currently two APS 6 officers, two EL1 officers and one EL 2 officer who can access and use this email address.

Bureau of Meteorology

Yes

a) FOI@bom.gov.au

b) FOI Coordinator – EL1
Principal Lawyer – EL2
Legal Assistant – APS5

Clean Energy Regulator

Yes

a) The Clean Energy Regulator's FOI email correspondence is received and despatched from the following email address: foi@cleanenergyregulator.gov.au.

b) The following officers access and use the email account.

- General Counsel
- Senior Legal Officer x 2
- Legal Officer
- Administrative Assistant x 2

Climate Change Authority

Yes

- a) foi@climatechangeauthority.gov.au
- b) The following officers access and use the email account:
 - General Manager, Corporate Services, SES Band 1
 - Human Resources Adviser, EL1
 - Corporate Services Officer, APS5
 - Executive Assistant, Corporate Services, APS5

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

Yes

- a) FOI@gbrmpa.gov.au
- b) 1 x EL2, 2 x EL1, 1 x APS 6, 2 x APS 3 (1 FTE)

Murray-Darling Basin Authority

Yes

- a) The Authority has a dedicated email address and inbox for receiving and responding to FOI requests foi@mdba.gov.au
- b) The following officers can assess and reply from this email account:
 - EL 1 x 1
 - APS 6 x 1

National Water Commission

Yes

- a) The Commission has a separate email address for receiving and responding to FOI requests FOI.coordinator@nwc.gov.au
- b) Senior Manager Corporate Management (Executive Level 2)
Executive Level 1 x 1

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

Yes

- a) The Sydney Harbour Federation Trust provides an FOI email address:
foi@harbourtrust.gov.au.
- b) There is currently one EL2 (equivalent) and one APS6 (equivalent) who can access and use this email address.