

**2005-2006 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
30, 31 MAY and 3 JUNE 2005**

**EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Corporate**

**Question Number: W235-06**

**Question:**

Senator Crossin provided in writing:

Have any of these staff had their remote conditions cut by DEWR? Or are there any plans to do this? Are staff conditions being cut in remote areas, if so which ones and why?

**Answer**

No ATGIS staff transferring to DEWR have experienced any loss of remote conditions. There are no plans to cut remote conditions. The draft *DEWR Certified Agreement 2005 – 2007* proposes the replacement of discrete elements with an all-inclusive package. Employees taking up AWAs also elect to have an all-inclusive package or roll up a component of the remotes allowance into base salary.