

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011–2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian National Audit Office

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Climate Change

Senator: Ryan

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Question:

Are there climate change sections or areas that work on climate change in your department/agency? If yes, list details.

Answer:

Yes.

The Performance Audit Services Group includes a branch responsible for identifying and conducting performance audits within the Climate Change and Energy Efficiency Portfolio. The resources dedicated to audits within the Climate Change and Energy Efficiency Portfolio vary from year to year, and are dependant on ANAO priorities and those of the Parliament. In February 2012, the ANAO tabled Audit Report No. 23, 2011–12 *Administration of the National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Scheme*. A further audit on the Solar Schools Program is expected to be tabled later this year, and the Public Sector Environmental Management Better Practice Guide is expected to be released in April.

The Assurance Audit Services Group audits the annual financial statements of the Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency and the entities in the department's portfolio.