

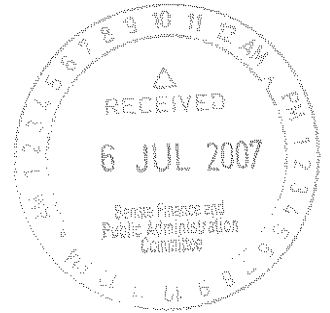
Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Budget Estimates Hearings 2007-2008, 21-22 May 2007



Question: PM 92

Outcome 1, Output 1.1 (Economic and industry policy)

Topic: Task Group on Emissions Trading

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Senator Evans asked:

1. Further to their meeting of the 21st March 2007, how many times has the Task Group met? When?
2. Has the make-up of the Task Group or the Secretariat to the Task Group, changed in any way since the implementation of the Task Group? If so, in what way?
3. Further to question PM 78 from the Additional Estimates Hearings, February 2007, when were the members of the Task Group first approached to join the group?

Answer:

1. Since its meeting of 21 March 2007, the Task Group met on 17 April 2007, 11 May 2007, 21 May 2007 and 28 May 2007.
2. No changes were made to the Task Group or Secretariat.
3. Approaches were made by the Prime Minister's Office ahead of the Prime Minister's announcement of the Task Group in December 2006.