Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 21 OCTOBER 2008

Human Services Portfolio

Department/Agency: Human Services Portfolio

Outcome/Output Group: All

Topic: Climate Change

Senator: Boswell

Question reference number: HS17a-c

Type of question: Written

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 5 December 2008

Question:

HS17a: What if any steps have been taken to estimate the costs of the government's response to climate change including the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme for every department, agency and program within this portfolio?

HS17b: What are the costs and estimated costs identified (reported separately)?

HS17c: Have any costs been included in forward estimates and if so where?

Answer:

HS17:

- (a) The Human Services Portfolio has not estimated the costs to Portfolio agencies under the Carbon Pollution Scheme. The design of the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme has not been finalised at this time.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.

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