

**Question on Notice
No. 1594
Asked on Thursday, 30 October 2008**

QUESTION:

MR GIBSON asked the Minister for Sustainability, Climate Change and Innovation (Mr McNamara) –

What programs have been cut and how many jobs have been lost, or will be lost within his department since he established the multi-million dollar ‘flexibility fund’?

ANSWER:

The flexibility fund is simply a mechanism to internally reallocate funds (as part of the Environmental Protection Agency’s normal annual budget cycle) to deal with any new and emerging priorities. Consequently, no jobs have been lost or programs cut as a result of the fund.