

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Additional Estimates

13 – 14 February 2013

**Question: AET 450**

**Topic: Commissioned Reports**

**Written: Received from Committee – 22 February 2013**

**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

450. How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency this financial year to date (22 February 2013)? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.
- How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level?
  - What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?

**Answer:**

<b>Report</b>	<b>Monitoring of the Australian petroleum industry— Report of the ACCC into the prices, costs and profits of unleaded petrol in Australia</b>
Date commissioned	Direction under 95ZE of <i>the Competition and Consumer Act 2010</i> dated 6 July 2012
Date handed to Government	Report due by 17 December 2013
Date of public release	Report due by 17 December 2013
Terms of Reference	Monitoring of the prices, costs and profits relating to the supply of unleaded petroleum products in the petroleum industry in Australia for one year, effective from 17 December 2012
Committee members	Not applicable
Estimated publication costs	Approximately \$17 000
Staffing	A number of ACCC staff across a range of levels are involved in the preparation of the report
Current status	Report due for release by 17 December 2013
Government response	Not applicable