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DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Ground transport

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bilyk

QUESTION No.: AI-113

What was the Department's total expenditure on the following categories of ground transport in calendar year 2016 (GST inclusive):

- (i) Taxi hire;
- (ii) Limousine hire;
- (iii) Private hire car; and
- (iv) Ridesharing services.

ANSWER

(i) (iv) The Department's total expenditure on taxi and ridesharing services for the 2016 calendar year was \$1,070,660 (GST exclusive). The Department does not differentiate between taxi hire and ridesharing services when recording these transactions.

(ii) (iii) The Department does not record expenditure for limousine hire and private car hire separately to other ground transport. In order to report on this, an officer would need to manually extract and interrogate data from the department's finance system. Due to the time this would take, the department considers this to be an unreasonable diversion of resources.

N.B. This answer has been updated. Due to an administrative error, the previous answer that was tabled was not the correct version.