Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian Public Service Commission **Outcome/Program:** Cross Portfolio **Topic:** Media Monitoring

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Question:

What is the total cost of media monitoring services provided to the department/agency since 18 September 2013? Please provide details of (a) the service provider and (b) the cost. Are media monitoring services purchased by the department/agency provided to the office of a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary? If so, please provide details of the service, including, if applicable, any additional costs incurred by the department/agency.

Answer:

- 1. The Australian Public Service Commission (APSC)'s financial management information system cannot accurately report costs for a partial month. The cost of media monitoring services provided to the APSC from 18 September to 30 November 2013 is estimated to be \$7,965 (excluding GST).
 - a) The media monitoring services was provided by iSENTIA Pty Ltd.
 - b) See above.
- 2. The APSC does not purchase media monitoring service for the office of a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary.