# **Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

## **Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

#### **Additional Estimates Hearings February 2014**

## **Communications Portfolio**

## **Special Broadcasting Service**

**Question No: 302** 

**Program No. Special Broadcasting Service (SBS)** 

Hansard Ref: In Writing

**Topic: Senate Estimates briefing** 

## Senator Ludwig asked:

- 1. How many officers were responsible for preparing the Department, Agency, Minister or representing Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of Senate Estimates?
- 2. How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information?
  - a. Please break down the hours by officer APS classification
- 3. Were drafts shown to the Minister or their office before Senate Estimates?
  - a. If so, when did this occur?
  - b. How many versions of this information were shown to the Minister or their office?
- 4. Did the Minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information?
  - a. If so, when did this occur?
  - b. What officer hours were spent on making these edits? Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.
  - c. When were the changes made?
- 5. Provide each of the contents page of the Department/Minister/representing Minister's Senate Estimates folder prepared by the Department for the Additional Estimates hearings in February 2014.

#### **Answer:**

Not applicable. SBS does not prepare the Managing Director for Senate Estimates in this way or record this data in a way that would readily allow for this information to be identified.