

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee
Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio

Question No: 169

Hearing: Supplementary Budget Estimates

Outcome: Corporate

Programme: Policy and Communications Division

Topic: Portfolio Wide – Media Subscriptions – Publications

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Question Type: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

What publications does your department/agency purchase?

- a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.
- b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?
- c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?

Answer:

Department of the Environment (the Department)

- a) The Department does not maintain a list of publications. Consequently this information is not available and providing a list of the publications would require a manual review of individual invoices which would be a substantial and unreasonable diversion of resources for the Department.

The Department subscribes to a number of publications to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Department and issues that impact key stakeholders.

- b) For the period 7 September 2013 to 31 October 2013, the Department spent \$31,802.61 (GST inclusive) on publications. Included in this figure is the annual renewal for certain publications that were due within this period.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA)

- a) GBRMPA did not purchase any publications.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

National Water Commission (the Commission)

- a) The Commission did not purchase any publications.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

Director of National Parks (DNP)

- a) The DNP purchased the following publications:
 - Compendium of information on seed storage behaviour.
 - Desiccation and survival in plants.
 - Changeology: how to enable groups, communities, and societies to do things they've never done before.

These publications are of interest to, related to, or specifically about the work undertaken by the DNP.

- b) For the period 7 September 2013 to 31 October 2013, the DNP spent \$341.56 (GST inclusive) on publications.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

Murray-Darling Basin Authority (the Authority)

- a) The Authority did not purchase any publications.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust (the Trust)

- a) The Trust did not purchase any publications.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

Clean Energy Regulator (CER)

- a) The CER purchased the following publications:
 - Commonwealth Criminal Code Act 1995.
 - Tokyo Timor Sea Resources Pty Ltd - a copy of a company report.

- Electricity Gas Australia 2013 Report published by the Energy Supply Association of Australia.
- Fraud in Carbon Markets, by Marius-Christian Frunza.

These publications are required to help inform those officers that are responsible for the effective administration of the Clean Energy Regulator's schemes.

- b) For the period 1 September 2013 to 31 October 2013, the CER spent \$190.04 (GST inclusive) on publications.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

Bureau of Meteorology (the Bureau)

- a) The Bureau purchased the following publications:
- Introduction to Geographic Information Systems.
 - The Discovery of Weather.
 - Project management kits.
 - ISO 25377:2007.
 - Visualising climate change.
 - Introduction to statistical modelling of extreme value.
 - Burke & Wills.
 - Through the labyrinth: the truth about how woman became leader.
 - Solitude and Solecisms.
 - Shaping a nation.
 - GPS: theory and practices.
 - Beyond Broadband Access.
 - Social life of climate change model.
 - Strategic planning for PR.
 - In extremis.
 - Lagrangian modelling of the atmosphere.
 - Presentation Zen.
 - Business measurement for safety performance.
 - IFPUG guide to IT and S/W measurement.

- AS2498 - Methods of testing rigid cellular; plastics.
- Frontiers in Massive.
- Atmospheric Circulation Dynamics.
- Parallel programming.
- Water sensitive cities.
- A Software-defined GPS and Galileo Receiver.
- Weather & climate resilience.
- Diagnosing and changing organisational culture.
- Stats methods in atmospheric science.
- Weather derivative.
- Data assimilation.
- Fresh flood, 3 great tsunamis.
- Mesoscale convective & clouds.
- Computational methods.
- AS 1199.0.03 - Sampling procedures for inspection by attributes.

The Bureau purchases publications to support staff to perform their duties and deliver respective work outputs either operationally or via research.

- b) For the period 7 September 2013 to 31 October 2013, the Bureau spent \$4,441.61 (GST inclusive) on publications.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

Climate Change Authority (the Authority)

- a) The Authority did not purchase any publications.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.