Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment portfolio**

Question No: 175

Hearing: Supplementary Budget Estimates

Outcome: Corporate

Programme: Policy and Communications Division

Topic: Portfolio Wide – Reviews

Hansard Page: N/A

Question Date: 27 November 2013

Question Type: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

For any review commenced or ordered since 7 September 2013, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review?

- a) If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names
- b) If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent
- c) If yes, for each what are the costs associated with their involvement, broken down to each cost item
- d) If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement
- e) If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.
- f) If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them
- g) If yes, for each, who selected them
- h) If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them,
- i. If yes, please detail what involvement it was
- ii. If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list
- iii. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur
- iv. If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department
- v. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur

Answer:

Yes

Review into allegations made against two members of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority named in the ABC 7.30 Report.

- a) Mr Robert Cornell AO
- b) N/A
- c) Nil (for the period 1 May to 31 October 2013)
- d) Conducting a review into allegations made against two members of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority named in the ABC 730 Report broadcast on Tuesday 29 October 2013.
- e) No

- f) Nil
- g) Dr Russell Reichelt, Chairman of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
- h) No
- i.-v. N/A