

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

REVIEW OF THE FOUR MAJOR BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Hume Bank

HUM05QW: Acquiring merchant facilities

**Answer:** *For each provider, provide the following information based on the method of calculation for each merchant category type in your debit Acquiring portfolio:*

*(a) Contracted provider (e.g. Visa)*

*(b) Interchange fee (e.g. 0.04 per transaction)*

*(c) Scheme fee based on an \$40 transaction (e.g. \$0.01 per transaction for first twenty transactions, then \$0.02 for every transaction thereafter)*

*(d) Acquirer costs and margin (e.g. 1 per cent of transaction)*

*(e) Any other cost (i.e. any fee not listed above)*

*(f) Any 'profit' or 'premium' charged in addition by the bank that is passed onto the merchant (i.e. any fee not listed above)*

*(g) What is the total retail cost charged to merchant customers for each merchant category and each debit scheme, not including volume incentive payments for the following transactions:*

*(i) \$5*

*(ii) \$20*

*(iii) \$40*

*(iv) \$100*

*(v) \$1,000*

*(h) What is the total Acquiring wholesale cost for each merchant category and each debit scheme, not including volume incentive payments for the following transactions?*

*(i) \$5*

*(ii) \$20*

*(iii) \$40*

*(iv) \$100*

*(v) \$1,000*

Hume Bank is not an acquiring merchant, therefore we consider this question is not applicable to us.