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Senate Select Committee on Electric Vehicles  
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Dear Ms Palmer,

**RE: Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA) Question on Notice Response**

On Friday 17 August 2018 the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA), appeared before the Senate Select Committee on Electric Vehicles as part of the public hearings process.

ARENA was represented by Mr Ivor Frischknecht (then CEO) and Mr Peter Haenke (Energy Productivity Manager).

Following this appearance ARENA received one (1) question on notice.

Having replaced Mr Frischknecht as ARENA CEO, it is my pleasure to provide the attached response to the Select Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Darren Miller  
Chief Executive Officer

**Senate Select Committee on Electric Vehicles**  
 Canberra public hearing (Friday 17 August 2018)

**Questions on Notice**

Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)

Question No	Asked by	Question
1	Senator Kim Carr	<p><b>Senator KIM CARR:</b> How much money have you spent on electric vehicles?</p> <p><b>Mr Frischknecht:</b> It's been a very modest sum because it's only been those three studies to date. I don't have the number here, but we can take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator KIM CARR:</b> Thank you, if you wouldn't mind.</p>

**Response**

ARENA has so far spent \$642,056 supporting electric vehicles through the three initiatives referred to in the ARENA submission.

Number	Initiative	ARENA funding	Total project value
1	Initiative 1 - Monash University and ClimateWorks Low Carbon Study	\$390,000	\$930,000
2	Initiative 2 - Everergi South Australian Strategic Regional Electric Vehicle Adoption Program	\$172,215	\$349,573
3	Initiative 3 - Energeia Australian Electric Vehicle Market Study.	\$79,841	\$159,682
	<b>Total</b>	<b>642,056</b>	<b>1,439,255</b>

Initiatives one and two were funded through ARENA's primary funding program - the Advancing Renewables Program; initiative three, the Energeia Study was a direct procurement commissioned in partnership with the Clean Energy Finance Corporation.

Please contact Scott Beltman  
 require further information.

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