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Topic: Coalition of Mail Service Stakeholders

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

Senator URQUHART: I will move on—I think I have your answer. You did respond to an earlier letter from this group, and that letter was dated 28 January. You referred to a stakeholder council out of that group. Can you tell me who are the members of this council.

Mr Fahour: We can provide that to you, on notice—each of the members of the council.

Senator URQUHART: You do not know who they are?

Mr Fahour: Yes I do, but I would like to give you the exact name, where they come from, their background. I will give it to you as a question on notice.

Senator URQUHART: Is there no-one here with you today who can tell me who is on there?

Mr Fahour: Would you like us to get that information for you right now?

Senator URQUHART: I would just like to know the names.

Mr Fahour: We will grab that for you.

Senator URQUHART: So you will provide that today?

Mr Fahour: Yes.

Senator URQUHART: Can you tell me when they last met and when they will next meet?

Mr Fahour: We will get that for you.

Answer:

The Australia Post Stakeholder Council is an external advisory group of 10 individuals, whose role is to help us improve our communications and engagement with stakeholders. The Australia Post Stakeholder Council meets three times a year, generally in March, August & November.

The list of the current members of the Australia Post Stakeholder Council is as follows:

- John Bergin, Former Managing Director, Yakka Australia
- Sommers Botha, Former General Manager, Retail Scholastic Australia
- Helen Christie, Former State President, Country Women's Association of Victoria
- Graz van Egmond, Executive Director, Banksia Environmental Foundation
- George Etrelezis, small business consultant
- Allan Garcia, CEO, Local Government Association Tasmania
- Dennis Jenner, Director, Post Office Agents Association Limited
- Gabrielle Nagle, Child & Family Services consultant
- Cameron Thiele, formerly of the Communications, Electrical and Plumbing Union
- Rob Tolmie Managing Director, R&C Consulting Pty Ltd

The above list of members was provided to Senator Urquhart at the conclusion of Australia Post's Estimates hearing.