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NBN Co Limited

Question No: 147

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Topic: Gifts

Senator Bilyk, Catryna asked:

What was the total cost (GST **inclusive**) of all gifts purchased for use by NBN Co employees in calendar year 2016?

(a) Can an itemised list of gifts and costs thereof (GST **inclusive**) please be provided?

(b) Who was the recipient of each gift?

For what purpose was each gift given?

Answer:

This would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to answer in such granularity.

With respect to gifts purchased, the nbn Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy states the following:

9.2 Gifts to Employees

Flowers, gifts and office celebrations to celebrate weddings, rewards or farewells are reimbursable with approval of the responsible Executive General Manager or General Manager. The expense should be reasonable based on the prevailing circumstances including length of service and nature of event.

Gifts related to recognition must be approved per the Recognition Policy.