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Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice
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Communications Portfolio
NBN Co Limited

Question No: 152

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Topic: Stationery and paper

Senator Bilyk, Catryna asked:

1. How much did NBN Co spend on stationery and office supplies (excluding paper) in calendar year 2016 (GST **inclusive**)?
2. How much did NBN Co spend on paper in calendar year 2016 (GST **inclusive**)?
3. What brand of paper does NBN Co use?
 - (a) Is this paper Australian made? If no, why doesn't NBN Co buy Australian made paper?

Answer:

1. \$700,045.13
2. \$91,518.03
3. Cultural Choice.

(a) This paper is not Australian made.

Cultural Choice paper is produced from recycled material and is 100% recycled, the product offers value for money and also has the necessary environmental accreditations making it a premium quality paper. The paper has the following certification:

- Indigenous Product (Supply Nation Certified)
- Blue Angel Certified (environmental certification)
- Forestry Stewardship Council (FSC) Certified

In addition, the Supply Nation certification ensures that the purchase of this product supports Australian indigenous business. As nbn is also a member of Supply Nation, this product assists with nbn's indigenous procurement initiatives.