Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment and Energy portfolio**

Question No: 129

Hearing: Additional Estimates

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Program: Domestic Emissions Reduction Division (DERD)

Topic: Cost benefit

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Senator Roberts asked:

How much has been spent in each of the last 5 years by the federal government on climate measures? Please include all departments and agencies, all grants, funding of NGOs, departmental and administrated expenses. Include also the imposition of the RET on the economy and all grants and subsidies for household and grid solar and wind power.

How much of this has gone to Australian universities and centres for climate studies?

Answer:

Please find below costings for the Department of the Environment and Energy. The Department cannot respond on behalf of other Government Departments or Agencies.

Your question regarding federal government expenditure on climate measures has been provided to you in Question No. 96.

Since November 2013 the following payments have been made from the Department to Australian Universities for professional services related to the work of climate change.

Universities	Total Payments
Australian National University Enterprise Pty Ltd	\$ 505,090.90
Charles Darwin University	\$ 2,300,278.36
Griffith University	\$8,801,000.00
Queensland University of Technology	\$ 49,219.00
The Australian National University	\$ 564,954.54
United Nations University	\$ 750,000.00
University of New England	\$ 247,051.92
University of New South Wales	\$ 58,185.45
University of Sydney	\$ 92,036.36
University of Tasmania	\$ 15,374.38
University of Western Australia	\$ 47,782.00
Grand Total	\$ 3,494,331.41

<u>Please note</u> these figures only include direct payments from the Department to universities. The response does not include second and third party payments to universities such as sub-contracting agreements as these commercial arrangements are not recorded in our finance system. There were no recorded payments to Centres for Climate Studies.