

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Budget Estimates Hearings May 2014

Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 526

Program No. 1.1

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Independent cost-benefit analysis and review of regulation

Senator Conroy asked:

In reference to contracts for organisations and people assisting the panel conducting the cost benefit analysis and review of regulation:

- a. If there are expenses that you are paying for all of these organisations, each and every single one of them, could you add that in a separate amount, please?

Answer:

- (a) The total amount payable to advisers is up to a maximum fee as specified in their contracts and as reported on Austender. The maximum fees include the full costs of the services to be performed, that is all fees and associated expenses (including all travel and accommodation necessarily incurred while performing the services required). There are no expenses paid to advisers in addition to the amounts specified in the contracts.

As at 30 June (GST inclusive)

	Fee for Service	Expenses	Total
Kevin Morgan	\$30,681	\$6,622	\$37,304
Nicholas Curien	\$5,600	\$0	\$5,600
Clifford Winston	\$1,400	\$0	\$1,400
Jonathan Pincus	\$5,250	\$0	\$5,250
Cinden Lester	\$1,980	\$0	\$1,980
Minter Ellison	\$78,000	\$0	\$78,000
Griffith University	\$43,259	\$653	\$43,912
Ovum	\$68,391	\$0	\$68,391
CIE	\$592,641	\$7,128	\$599,770