### **Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

# **Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

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**Topic: ABC and SBS board appointments** 

**Senator Pratt asked:** 

Ms O'Loughlin: The advertisements were run in March, and the terms had already expired at that

stage, yes, for the members and the Chair of SBS.

**Senator Pratt:** So the Chair of SBS but also for positions on the ABC board, as I understand it.

**Dr Pelling:** Yes, all three of them.

**Senator Pratt:** The advertising took place in mid-April, you said?

Mr Clarke: Late March.

Ms O'Loughlin: Late March and early April.

Senator Pratt: With the applications closing in mid-April?

Ms O'Loughlin: That is correct.

**Senator Pratt**: What were the actual expiry dates?

Ms O'Loughlin: I do not seem to have those with me, but we should be able to come back to you

during this session.

#### **Answer:**

The terms of Mr Joseph Skrzynski AO (SBS Board Chair), Ms Elleni Bereded-Samuel (SBS Board member) and Professor Julianne Schultz AM (ABC Board member) expired on 26 March 2014.