

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

**Budget Estimates Hearings May 2015**

**Communications Portfolio**

**Australia Post**

**Question No: 77**

**Program No. Australia Post**

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**Topic: Australia Post's forecast of mail volume decline**

**Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:**

**Senator URQUHART:** I might put a further question to you on notice in relation to that. Can you supply all data on forward estimates for Australia Post's forecast of mail volume decline for: mail volumes with any increase in price; without any increase in price; mail volumes with any reduction in standards and those without any reduction in standards; mail volumes with both increase in price and reduction in standards; and mail volumes without both increase in price and reduction in standards?

**Mr Fahour:** Are they further questions that you are going to put on notice?

**Senator URQUHART:** No. I am asking you if you can supply that data for that?

**Mr Fahour:** For the reserved services site?

**Senator URQUHART:** Yes.

**Mr Fahour:** We would need to continue to give that to you per question 66 as further details; is that correct? Your question on notice that we have supplied the answer to under, standing order 25(2), we can give you more detail to further elaborate upon that.

**Senator URQUHART:** Yes. So, you do not have that now, Mr Fahour?

**Answer:**

As noted at the hearing, the information will be provided separately to the committee under standing order 25(2).

For information standing order 25(2) reads:

- (a) The legislation committees shall inquire into and report upon estimates of expenditure in accordance with standing order 26, bills or draft bills referred to them by the Senate, annual reports in accordance with paragraph (20), and the performance of departments and agencies allocated to them.