Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment portfolio**

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Senator Waters asked:

Senator WATERS: Thank you. If you could just provide for me, please, a list of all of the efficiency dividends imposed on the department and on portfolio agencies since 2007-08. If you could provide a list of the total funding and the full-time equivalents allocated to the relevant departmental section responsible for assessments, approvals and compliance monitoring under the EPBC Act—obviously the names will have changed—again, since 2008-09. Thank you.

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Answer:

A list of all the efficiency dividends imposed on the department and on portfolio agencies since 2007-08 is provided below.

Budget round	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Budget 2005-06	1.25%											
Previous budget round		1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%							
Pre-ERC 2008-09 (Increase by 0.25%)		0.25%	0.25%	0.25%								
Pre-ERC 2008-09 (One-off 2%)	0.46%	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%								
Pre-ERC 2009-10 (FE3 creation) ¹						1.00%						
MYEFO 2010-11 (FE3 creation)							1.00%					
MYEFO 2011-12 (FE3 creation)								1.00%				
Budget 2011-12 (Additional ED -												
election commitment)					0.50%	0.50%	0.25%	0.25%				
MYEFO 2012-13 (FE3 creation)									1.00%			
Pre-ERC 2012-13 (Additional 2.5%)						2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%			
Pre-ERC 2013-14 (FE3 creation)										1.00%		
MYEFO 2014-15 (temporary increase)								1.00%	1.25%	1.25%		
MYEFO 2014-15 (FE3 creation)											1.00%	
Budget 2014-15 (Additional 0.25%)								0.25%	0.25%	0.25%	0.00%	
MYEFO 2015-16 (FE3 creation)												1.00%
Total for the financial year	1.71%	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%	1.50%	4.00%	3.75%	5.00%	5.00%	2.50%	1.00%	1.00%

^{1.} The budget estimates period consists of the budget year and the three forward years. FE3 creation is the annual creation of the new third forward year estimates.

Note:

Efficiency dividends have not been applied to Sydney Harbour Federation Trust since 2009-10 when it ceased to receive budget appropriation.