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Department of Communications

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Topic: Enterprise Bargaining Agreements (EBAs)

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

1. Please list all related EBAs with coverage of the department.
2. Please list their starting and expiration dates.
3. What is the current status of negotiations for the next agreement/s? Please detail.

Answer:

1. The Department of Communications has one Enterprise Agreement.
2. The Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy Enterprise Agreement 2011 – 2014 commenced on 1 July 2011 and notionally expired on 30 June 2014.
3. The Department has submitted its bargaining proposal to the Australian Public Service Commission (APSC) for approval in accordance with the Australian Government Public Sector Workplace Bargaining Policy requirement. A single Enterprise Agreement that will cover the Department of Communications and the Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency (TUSMA) is currently being negotiated.