Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2014

Communications Portfolio

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Question No: 589

Program No. Australian Broadcasting Corporation Hansard Ref: In writing

Topic: Self initiated work

Senator Ludwig asked:

- 1. Does the department have a program for staff to engage in self-initiated work (projects, plans etc that are devised by staff without being directed by the minister's office or department management)?
- 2. Please list all ongoing projects. For each, please detail:
- 3. When did the project commence?
- 4. When is it expected to conclude?
- 5. What will the total cost of the project be?
- 6. Where did the money for the project come from?
- 7. Where is the project based?

Answer:

- 1. As a Corporation established under the *ABC Act 1983*, the everyday management and function of the corporation is governed by the Board and the Managing Director, independent of direction by the Minister.
- 2. Not applicable.
- 3. Not applicable.
- 4. Not applicable.
- 5. Not applicable.
- 6. Not applicable.
- 7. Not applicable.