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: 634

Program No. Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Media Monitoring Senator Ludwig asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- 1. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office during the specified period?
 - 1. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
 - 2. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?
 - 3. Itemise these expenses.
- 2. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency during the specified period?
 - 1. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
 - 2. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?
 - 3. Itemise these expenses

Answer:

- 1. Not applicable.
- 2.1. The media monitoring services were provided to the ABC by iSentia (previously named Media Monitors).
 - 2. From the 1 June 2014 to 30 November 2014, the ABC spent \$25,000 on media monitoring services.
 - 3. Expenses are itemised in the table below:

Reason	\$'000's
Corporate Press Clippings	3
Monitoring Science Reference Panel announcement	14
Monitoring for Media Watch	8
Total	25