Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2014 Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 66

Program 1.1

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Documents provided to minister

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

- 1. Excluding policy or correspondence briefs, how many documents are provided to the Minister's office on a regular and scheduled basis? Including documents that are not briefs to the minister and do not require ministerial signature.
- 2. List those documents, their schedule and their purpose (broken down by ministerial signature and office for noting documents)
- 3. How are they transmitted to the office?
- 4. What mode of delivery is used (hardcopy, email) for those documents?
- 5. What level officer are they provided to in the minister's office?

Answer:

There is no central database of all documents provided to the Minister's office. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources.