# **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: 83** 

Program 1.1

Hansard Ref: In Writing

**Topic: Stationery Requirements** 

## Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- 1. How much has been spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio to date?
  - 1. Detail the items provided to the minister's office.
  - 2. Please specify how many reams of paper have been supplied to the Minister's office.
- 2. How much has been spent on departmental stationary requirements to date.
- 3. Has any customised stationery been requested or provided to the Minister or Ministerial Staff? If yes, please include a photo/scan, detail the type of stationery, date it was requested, date it was provided and the cost.

#### **Answer:**

The Department's stationery expenses are recorded in an account that includes consumables, such as toner cartridges, kitchen supplies and the like. To attempt to provide data for stationery items only would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

- 1. The Department's expenses for stationery and other consumables, relating to Government (Minister/Parliamentary Secretaries) for the period 1 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 were \$2,349.11 (GST excl).
- 2. The Department's expenses for stationery and other consumables, for the period 1 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 were \$49,485.84 (GST excl).
- 3. No.