Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Answers to questions on notice Environment portfolio

Question No:	307
Hearing:	Supplementary Budget Estimates
Outcome:	Corporate
Programme:	Corporate Strategies Division
Topic:	PORTFOLIO WIDE - REPORTS PULPED
Hansard Page:	N/A
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Question Type:	Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

Have any reports, budget papers, statements, white papers or report-like documents printed for or by the department been pulped, put in storage, shredded or disposed of? If so please give details; name of report, number of copies, cost of printing, who order the disposal, reason for disposal

Answer:

Department of the Environment

The Department of the Environment engages an in-house print manager and a publications warehousing and distribution contractor to manage and maintain its publications.

From 1 May – 30 September 2014 the Department has authorised the publications warehousing and distribution contractor to recycle 104 titles of redundant publications. These publications included flyers, brochures, booklets, posters, fact sheets and books.

To further break down the publications by name, number of copies, cost or printing, and who ordered the disposal would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of the agency from its other operations.

All portfolio agencies advised that they did not dispose of any reports during the reporting period.