

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

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Senator Ludwig asked:

1. Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014, in relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information:
 - a. Total spending on these services
 - b. An itemised cost breakdown of these services
 - c. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification
 - d. The number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification
 - e. The names of all service providers engaged
 - f. The location that this training was provided
2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1), please provide:
 - a. The name and nature of the service purchased
 - b. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based
 - c. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
 - d. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
 - e. The total amount spent on the service
 - f. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)
3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
 - a. The location used
 - b. The number of employees who took part on each occasion
 - c. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
 - d. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location

Answer:

Department of the Environment

No media training services were purchased by the Department of the Environment during this period. Media training services purchased by portfolio agencies are listed below.

Bureau of Meteorology

1.
 - a. \$10,780 (including GST)
 - b. One-day media training workshops at \$2750 (inc GST) per workshop
One-hour individual tutorial and assessment session for each participant at \$440 (inc GST) per session.
 - c. 12 employees - 4 x APS6, 4 x EL1, 4 x EL2
 - d. 12 employees - 4 x APS6, 4 x EL1, 4 x EL2.
 - e. Voice Coach
 - f. Bureau of Meteorology premises in Melbourne and Sydney.
2.
 - a. One-day media training workshops including one hour tutorial and assessment session for each participant.
 - b. Group based and one-on-one.
 - c. 12 employees - 4 x APS6, 4 x EL1, 4 x EL2.
 - d. The total number of hours involved for all employees and their classification were:

Classification	Workshop (7 hours in length)	Tutorial (1 hour)	Total hours by classification
APS6	4 employees	4 employees	32 hours
EL1	4 employees	4 employees	32 hours
EL2	4 employees	4 employees	32 hours
		<i>Total workshop hours</i>	96 hours

- e. \$10,780 (including GST)
 - f. One-hour individual tutorial and assessment session for each participant at \$440 (inc GST) per session.
3.
 - a-d Not applicable.

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

1.
 - a. \$245.00
 - b. One training day provided
 - c. Level 6 x 1
 - d. Level 6 x1
 - e. Walkley Foundation
 - f. Sydney, CBD
2.
 - a. Communications Direct
 - b. Group Based
 - c. Level 6 x1
 - d. 4 hours
 - e. \$245.00
 - f. Complete package
3.
 - a. Sydney CBD
 - b. Level 6 x 1
 - c. 4hrs for Level 6 x 1
 - d. nil

Murray-Darling Basin Authority

1.
 - a. \$4600 (Ex GST).
 - b. May 2014 - 2 hour preparation and consultation \$400 (Exc GST) and 1 day training and feedback \$1200 (Exc GST).

August 2014 – 1/2 day preparation and consultation \$600 (Exc GST) and 1 day training and feedback \$1000 (Exc GST).

September 2014 – 1 hour preparation and consultation \$200 (Exc GST) 1 day training and feedback \$1200 (Exc GST).
 - c. 13 employees

APS 5	1
Executive Level 1	5
Executive Level 2	2
SES Level 1	4
SES Level 2	1
 - d. 13 employees

APS 5	1
Executive Level 1	5
Executive Level 2	2
SES Level 1	4
SES Level 2	1
 - e. Kate Bradstreet Communications
 - f. MDBA, Canberra
2.
 - a. Media training
 - b. Group Based
 - c. 13 employees

APS 5	1
Executive Level 1	5
Executive Level 2	2
SES Level 1	4
SES Level 2	1
 - d. Total of 10.5 hours of over three sessions.

SES Level 2	1 x 3 hours
SES Level 1	3 x 3 hours and 1 x 4 ½ hours
Executive Level 2	2 x 4 ½ hours
Executive Level 1	4 x 3 hours and 1 x 4 ½ hours
APS 5	1 x 4 ½ hours
 - e. \$4600 (Ex GST).
 - f. \$1200 per day.

No media training services were purchased by the Climate Change Authority, Clean Energy Regulator, Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, National Water Commission and the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust.

