

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee**

Answers to questions on notice
Environment and Energy portfolio

Question No: 290
Hearing: Supplementary Budget Estimates
Outcome: Corporate
Program: Corporate Strategies Division (CSD)
Topic: Departmental / Portfolio Cost of External Advice
Hansard Page: n/a
Question Date: 17 October 2016
Question Type: Written

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

Every program administered by the department and all portfolio agencies within it:

1. The dollar value of external advice contracted to support each in 2016-17, as well as the number of contractors engaged, the APS-equivalent classification these contractors were engaged at and their geographic location.

Answer:

The Department does not retain the level of detail requested in the question. To provide such detail would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.