

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

2014 - 2015

Department/Agency: ACNC

Question: AET 408

Topic: cost of estimates attendance

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Senator: Edwards , Sean

Question:

CHAIR: Geoscience Australia, which was due to appear at 10.30 to 11.00 tonight, will not be appearing. They will not be called. Any questions can be put on notice. As part of the current section, I have just given ACNC the good news that they are not going to be called. They are heading home. Any questions will be put on notice. I have flagged with them, of course, that my question to them will be: how much is their fully absorbed cost of being here today not to appear? That will be my question, on notice, just to highlight the dysfunction of the way in which these hearings are being run.

Answer:

The ACNC estimates the total cost of attendance at the February 2015 Senate Estimates hearings at \$13,778.28.

Breakdown of estimated cost:

Preparation	
Staff time at their hourly rate	\$4,185.47
Attendance	
Travel	5,968.83
Staff time at their hourly rate	\$3,623.98
Total	
Total cost	\$13,778.28