Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: ACCC

Question: AET 1613-1616 Topic: Meeting costs

Reference: written - 19 February 2016

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1613. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
- 1614. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.
- 1615. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 1616. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer:

1613. The total expenditure incurred for the period 1 September 2015 to 31 January 2016 is \$2649.11 (rounded to the closest dollar figure and GST exclusive). The meetings provided below were hosted by the ACCC. The meeting date is provided within the relevant month(s) it occurred in, as there may have been several meetings within the one line item. Excluded from the list are meetings that relate to investigative functions of the ACCC.

The expenditure is broken down below by meeting.

		Meeting Date	
Meeting Details / Purpose	Location	Rage	Amount
		Sep 15 to Nov	
AER Consultative Group Meetings	Victoria	15	582.00
Chinese Delegation from CAIQ	Australian Capital		
Meeting	Territory	Nov 15	133.53
Community Network Meeting	Queensland	Oct 15	7.59
Consumer Consultative Committee	Australian Capital		
Meeting	Territory	Nov 15	403.44
Fuel Consultative Committee Meeting	Victoria	Nov 15	28.35
	Australian Capital		
Gas Inquiry Hearings	Territory	Jul 15 to Nov 15	444.35
Regulators Round Table Meeting	Victoria	Sept 15	10.64

		Meeting Date	
Meeting Details / Purpose	Location	Rage	Amount
	Australian Capital		
Treasury Liaison Meeting	Territory	Dec 15	96.90
Utility Regulators Forum	Victoria	Nov 15	942.31
Grand Total			2649.11

- 1614. Nil.
- 1615. Planned meetings are not specifically tracked within the Agency's budget level. Overall expenditure is expected to remain consistent.
- 1616. Nil.