Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Industry, Innovation and Science Portfolio 2016 - 2017 Additional Estimates 2 March 2017

DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Ground transport

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bilyk

QUESTION No.: AI-113

What was the Department's total expenditure on the following categories of ground transport in calendar year 2016 (GST inclusive):

- (i) Taxi hire;
- (ii) Limousine hire;
- (iii) Private hire car; and
- (iv) Ridesharing services.

ANSWER

- (i) (iv) The Department's total expenditure on taxi and ridesharing hire for the 2016 calendar year was \$1,070,660 (GST exclusive). The Department does not differentiate between taxi hire and ridesharing services when recording these transactions. A further breakdown of expenditure would involve an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
- (ii) (iii) The Department does not record expenditure for limousine hire and private car hire separately to other ground transport. A breakdown of expenditure would involve an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.