

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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2016 - 2017

Division/Agency: Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman

Question No: 62

Topic: Media and public relations

Reference: Written

Senator: Bilyk, Catryna

Question:

1. How much has the Ombudsman's office spent on media monitoring since 1 October 2016 (GST inclusive)?
2. Can a list of all Contract Notice IDs for the Austender website in relation to media monitoring contracts please be provided?
3. How many media or public relations advisers are employed in the Ombudsman's office?
At what APS level (eg EL2, APS5) is each staff member employed?
4. Can an organisational chart for the relevant area of the Ombudsman's office please be provided? What was the total cost of employing relevant staff in calendar year 2016 (please provide a global figure)?

Answer:

1. Media monitoring is provided via Treasury.
2. N/A
3. Two staff members: EL2 and APS6
4. The current communications organisational chart comprises the two staff members noted above. Since the commencement of the office (11 March 2016) until the end of the 2016 calendar year, the cost of employing staff in the area amounts to approximately \$247,000.