Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates 2014 3 June to 5 June 2014

Department/ Agency: Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Question: BET 1385 **Topic**: Hire car costs

Reference: Written - 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

1385. How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.

a. What are the reasons for hire car costs?

Answer:

1385. For the period 1 March 2014 to 31 May 2014, \$4,882.49 was spent on hire cars. The costs are broken down into the following business groups:

Business Group	Cost (\$)
Corporate Services Division	175.91
Enforcement & Compliance	2,354.13
Executive/Commissioners	1,392.31
Legal Group	545.45
Mergers & Adjudication	71.85
Regulatory Affairs	342.84
Total	4,882.49

a. Hire cars are used by management and staff for transportation to and from business meetings and events (particularly in regional and remote areas), and conducting field work including executing search warrants, undertaking surveillance, conducting witness interviews, and sourcing/purchasing items for product safety purposes.