Senate Economics Legislation CommitteeANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates 2014 3 June to 5 June 2014

Department/ Agency: Clean Energy Finance Corporation

Question: BET 2157 **Topic**: Report Printing

Reference: Written - 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

2157. Have any reports, budget papers, statements, white papers or report-like documents printed for or by the department been pulped, put in storage, shredded or disposed of?

a). If so please give details; name of report, number of copies, cost of printing, who order the disposal, reason for disposal

Answer:

2157. Please note the CEFC is not a Department. If this question relates to "reports, budget papers, statements, white papers or report-like documents printed for or by the department", then the question should be directed to the Department of the Treasury.

If this question was intended to be answered by the CEFC notwithstanding the wording to the contrary, then the answer is Yes.

The following details are provided: please note the CEFC deals with its documents under the provisions of relevant legislation (principally the *Archives Act 1983*):

- The CEFC does not catalogue its document holdings as to whether they are reports, budget papers, statements, white papers or report-like documents
- the CEFC does not catalogue every time copies of the documents referred to are moved in and out of storage (including internal storage such as the compactus and store room)
- the CEFC does not have a pulping machine
- the CEFC does not catalogue every time a document is shredded
- the CEFC does not catalogue every time a document is disposed of (whether by sale, promotion, donation, or destruction).

Further, as this information has no utility to the CEFC, attempting to collect this information would present an unnecessary diversion of public resources that would not meet the requirements of efficient, effective, economical and ethical usage per the *Public Governance and Accountability Act 2013*.