

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Treasury Portfolio
Budget Estimates 2014
3 June to 5 June 2014

Department/ Agency: Clean Energy Finance Corporation

Question: 2255-2256

Topic: Meeting costs

Reference: Written 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

- 2255 What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
- 2256 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.

Answer:

- 2255 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*.
- 2256 For financial year 2014-15, the Australian Government's budget assumes all operating expenses, including any meeting costs, will be reduced to zero in line with the Australian Government's policy intent for the CEFC to be abolished.