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Department/ Agency: National Competition Council

Question: BET 2714-2716

Topic: Shared resources following MOG changes

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Senator: Ludwig

Question:

2714. Following the Machinery of Government changes does the department share any goods/services/accommodation with other departments?

2715. What resources/services does the department share with other departments; are there plans to cease sharing the sharing of these resources/services?

2716. What were the costs to the department prior to the Machinery of Government changes for these shared resources? What are the estimated costs after the ceasing of shared resource arrangements?

Answer:

2714. Prior to and independent of the Machinery of Government changes the NCC took a decision to disband its stand-alone secretariat and purchase secretariat services as required from the Australian Competition and Consumer Council (ACCC). This arrangement, which commenced on 1 July 2014, builds on a pre-existing arrangement under which the NCC purchases HR and financial services from the ACCC.

2715. See 2714.

2716. See Portfolio Budget Statements 2014-15 Budget Related Paper No 1.16 for the estimated savings associated with the change in the NCC's secretariat arrangements.