# **Senate Economics Legislation Committee** ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

### **Treasury Portfolio**

Budget Estimates 2014 3 June to 5 June 2014

Department/ Agency: AASB/ AUASB

**Question:** BET 2913

**Topic**: Government payments of accounts

**Reference**: Written – 12 June 2014

**Senator**: Ludwig

#### **Question:**

From Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date, what has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others?

- a) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days?
- b) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days?
- c) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days?
- d) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days?
- e) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days?
- f) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since Additional Estimates in February, 2014?
- g) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?

#### **Answer:**

- 2913 a. 118 payments under 30 days 66.67%
  - b. 59 payments 30-60 days 33.33%
  - c. None.
  - d. None.
  - e. None.
  - f. No interest payable as accounts are paid on due date.
  - g. Not applicable.

#### **Answer: (AUASB)**

- 2913 a. 43 payments under 30 days, 62.20%
  - b. 24 payments 30-60 days, 35.80%

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- c. None.
- d. None.
- e. None.
- f. All accounts paid as fall due, no interest paid.
- g. Not applicable.