

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

Department/ Agency: Productivity Commission

Question: BET 2976

Topic: Legal Costs

Reference: Written – 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

2976. List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency since Additional Estimates in February, 2014

- a) List the total cost for these items, broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or taken to prepare the advice and the level of counsel used in preparing the advice, whether the advice was internal or external
- b) List cost spend briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spend briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial)
- c) How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice

Answer:

As at 12 June 2014:

2976. Nil.