

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 2981-2984

Topic: Media Subscriptions

Reference: Written – 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

2981. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.
 - b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates February, 2014 to date?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What is the cost from Additional Estimates February, 2014 to date?
2982. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
 - b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates February, 2014 to date?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What is the cost from Additional Estimates February, 2014 to date?
2983. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
 - b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates February, 2014 to date?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What is the cost from Additional Estimates February, 2014 to date?
2984. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
- a) Please provide a list of publications and the reason for each.
 - b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates February, 2014 to date?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What is the cost from Additional Estimates February, 2014 to date?

Answer:

As at 12 June 2014:

2981. Nil.
2982. a. The Australian, Australian Financial Review, Canberra Times, The Age and The Sydney Morning Herald. Access to national daily newspapers is a means of staying informed of issues relevant to the Commission's areas of responsibility and interests.
- b. \$16,440 (ex GST)
 - c. Not applicable
 - d. Nil
2983. a. The Economist, Choice Magazine and Waste Management and Environment Magazine. Access to selected magazines is a means of staying informed of

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activities and trends relevant to the Commission's areas of responsibility and interests.

b. Nil (since response to AET 654-657).

c. Not applicable.

d. Nil.

2984. a. The Commission orders a diverse range of publications on an ad hoc basis relevant to the Commission's research program. It would be an unreasonable diversion of resources to list the publication and reason for each.

b. \$2,509 (ex GST).

c. Not applicable.

d. Nil.