AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

TOPIC: G20 - Brisbane

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Ludwig

QUESTION No.: SI-128

1. Which ministers from the portfolio attended the G20 conference in Brisbane? For each attending minister, please answer the following:
2. How long will the minister be in Brisbane for?
3. Please provide a copy of the minister’s program and a list of any meetings that are scheduled.
4. Did the minister requested any briefing material from the department in relation to the G20? Please provide a list of the briefing titles.
5. How many ministerial staff will attended with the minister?
6. How many departmental staff attended the G20?
7. For each minister and staff member attending, how much was spent on airfares to and from Brisbane?
8. For each minister and staff member attending, how much was spent on accommodation in Brisbane?
9. For each minister and staff member attending, how much was spent on other associated expenses? Please detail.
10. Has the department purchased any merchandise or promotional material for the G20? Please detail.
11. Will the department be preparing a report following the G20? If yes:
   a) What will be the scope of the report?
   b) When will it be complete?
   c) Will it be available to the public?

ANSWER

1. The Minister for Industry did not attend the G20 Leaders’ Summit in Brisbane.
2. N/A see question 1.
3. N/A see question 1.
4. N/A see question 1.
5. N/A see question 1.
6. Martin Hoffman, Deputy Secretary from the Department of Industry and co-chair of the Energy Sustainability Working Group attended the G20 Leaders’ Summit in Brisbane.
7. Return airfares to the G20 conference in Brisbane from Canberra cost a total of $1543.
8. Accommodation costs were covered by Prime Minister and Cabinet.
9. Other associated expenses including meals and transport costs were $388
10. Three G20 Energy Sustainability Working Group banners were purchased at a cost of $1,570 as well as 20 G20 Pins, 7 scarves and 5 ties at a cost of $675. Pins, scarves and ties were for Secretariat staff to wear so delegates could identify them at meetings. Merchandise was purchased at the start of 2014 for use at all 3 meetings.
11. The Department, fulfilling its role as the secretariat for the ESWG, prepared the G20 ESWG 2014 co-chairs report. The report summarises the activities of the ESWG throughout 2014. The report is now publicly available via the G20 website. Also publicly available on the G20 website is the G20 Principles on Energy Collaboration and the G20 Energy Efficiency Action Plan.