Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2014 - 2015

Department/Agency: Treasury

Question: SBT 275-281 Topic: Credit Cards

Reference: Written - 30 October 2014

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- 275. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card.
- 276. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused?
- 277. Have there been any changes to how corporate credit card use is monitored?
- 278. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so:
- 279. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.
- 280. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?
- 281. How any credit cards available to the Minister or their office? If so, please list by classification. Have there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? Has any action been taken against the Minister or their office for credit card misuse? If so, list each occurrence, including the cost of the misuse.

Answer:

- 275. No change to access levels.
- 276. No.
- 277. No.
- 278. Yes.
- 279. In the Treasury Portfolio a handful of accidental instances of misuse have been identified.
- 280. Yes, within one agency. To minimise private usage of the credit card, stickers have been issued to all cardholders to place on the front of corporate credit cards to distinguish it from personal cards.
- 281. Nil.