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Department/Agency: ABS Question: SBT672-673

Topic: Printing

Reference: Written - 30 October 2014

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Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- 672. How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed?
 - a) How many of these printed documents were also published online?
- 673. Has the Department/Agency used external printing services for any print jobs?
 - a) If so, what companies were used?
 - b) How were they selected?
 - c) What was the total cost of this printing by item?

Answer:

672. 31,433 documents have been printed. There were a total of 43 embargoed ABS publications printed, with copies totalling 1,553 from 3 June to 30 October 2014. All embargoed publications are available online from 11.30 am on the date of release.

There were a total of 61 non-embargoed other documents printed, with copies totalling 29,875 from 3 June to 30 October 2014. 12 printed documents were published.

673. Yes.

a)

- Abnote Australasia Pty Ltd*
- Biopak Pty Limited*
- Blue Star Group
- Blue Star Group Australia Pty Limited
- BPO Intelligence Pty*
- Bullwinkle Copytim*
- CanPrint Communications Pty Ltd
- Driving Management Australia*
- Fineline Print*
- Instant Colour Press*
- Metropress*
- Minuteman Press*

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- Paragon Australasia Group*
- Print Media Group
- Printbound*
- QDI Direct Press*
- Snap Brisbane*
- Snap Fortitude Valley*
- Snap Printing*
- Snap Printing Fyshwick*
- St John Ambulance Aust (QLD)*
- TTI Technologies*

b)

All companies were selected in accordance with the value for money requirements as set down in the Commonwealth Procurement Rules and where applicable the ABS CEI's. The companies used are from the printing and production multi-use list (MUL), under the collaborative procurement program for print and related services managed by the Department of Human Services.

In addition to this, the ABS Despatch and Collection Unit (DCU) in NSW has also established national print panel contract arrangements with companies off the MUL.

* Companies not on the MUL used for purchases under 10k (single quote, best value for money).

c)

The total reporting cost for the period 3 June to 30 October 2014 is \$290,166.77.