

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

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2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: ACCC

Question: SBT 708-716

Topic: Hospitality

Reference: written - 30 October 2015

Senator: Wong, Penny

Question:

Hospitality

Since 1 January 2015:

708. What has been the Department/Agency's hospitality spend including any catering and drinks costs.
709. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
710. What has been the Department/Agency's entertainment spend? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
711. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
712. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
713. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
714. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
715. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
716. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

Answer:

708. Hospitality and entertainment spend is not classified separately in the ACCC accounts. Refer to answer 710 for a listing of hospitality and entertainment spend.
709. Nil.
710. Hospitality and entertainment spend from 1 January to 31 October 2015 total \$36,471 (excluding GST). These are listed below:

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Hospitality/Entertainment	Date	Location	Amount (\$)
AER Board & Senior Management Dinner	Jun-2015	Kirk's Wine Bar	750
Business Leader Dinner - Council of Small Business Organisations of Australia Meeting	Apr-2015	Hyatt Hotel Canberra	338
Dinner with Minister and staff	Apr-2015	Portia's Place	237
Hong Kong Competition Commission visit - lunch meeting	May-2015	Pendolino Restaurant	252
International Competition Network Conference Agency Head dinner	Apr-2015	Aria Restaurant	2,529
Inaugural Bannerman competition lecture - Catering	Apr-2015	King & Wood Mallesons, Sydney	4,116
Lunch meeting Australian Financial Review staff	Jun-2015	King 143 Restaurant Sydney	86
Lunch with Japan Fair Trade Commission	Jan-2015	Morsul at the gallery	312
Lunch with Japan Fair Trade Commission	Mar-2015	A.Baker Canberra	105
Lunch with Japan Fair Trade Commission	Jul-2015	Bakery Op Pty Ltd	116
Mergers and Authorisation Division conference dinner	May-2015	Grandpa Giuseppe	555
Present for Vietnam Competition Law Implementation Program visit	Jun-2015	National Gallery of Australia	66
Refreshments for Law Council meeting	Jul-2015	ACCC Brisbane Office	29
Retirement function of general manager Brisbane	Feb-2015	ACCC Brisbane Office	236
Strategic Communications planning day - lunch	Jun-2015	Parlour Wine Room	412
Staff dinner in Darwin	Feb-2015	Hanuman Restaurant Darwin	440
Coles Post Decision Team Dinner	Feb-2015	Tank Restaurant & Bar	420
Transition General Managers Lunch	Feb-2015	Tank Restaurant & Bar	213
Chairman's farewell dinner to EGM of Perth Office	Mar-2015	Avant Hotels Australia	453
Team Dinner recognition program	Dec-2014	Soju Girl Restaurant	91
Consumer Consultative Committee lunch	Mar-2015	ACCC Melbourne Office	87
Sponsorship of Economic Society of Australia (VIC) Inc.	May-2015	Canberra	455
Public Sector Management Award	Jul-2015	Canberra	800
Product Safety Branch dinner	Jun-2015	Simply Spanish	2,691

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Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development Dinner	Oct-2015	Paris	1,282
International Consumer Protection and Enforcement Network FTC Dinner	Apr-2015	Aregarden	91
Competition Law Implementation Program ASEAN Study Visit	May-2015	Canberra	3,397
Senior Management Conference Dinner	Feb-2015	Seamstress Restaurant	5,114
Legal & Economic Division Conference Dinner	Jun-2015	Seamstress Restaurant	4,136
East Coast Gas Inquiry Branch Planning Dinner	Jun-2015	Thai Lemon Grass Restaurant	425
Merger and Authorisation Review Division Branch Conference	May-2015	Canberra	2,697
Sydney Branch Conference	May-2015	Trunk Restaurant Melbourne	1,098
Melbourne Branch Conference	May-2015	Imperial Hotel Bourke	1,988
Melbourne Branch Conference	May-2015	The Melbourne Venue	455
Grand Total			36,471

711. Nil.

712. Hospitality expenditure is not specifically budgeted.

713. Nil.

714. Entertainment expenditure is not specifically budgeted.

715. Nil.

716. There are no specific plans to reduce expenditure at the hospitality and entertainment level.