

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 102

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Cost Recovery

Proof Hansard page: 17

Senator BACK asked:

Senator BACK: Yes, thank you. Secretary, look, I just want to revisit this question of fees associated with export inspections for ESCAS and CRMP et cetera—\$671.80 per hour. Has that been the subject of review and, if so, where are we in the review process?

Dr Grimes: That is the subject of review at the moment. We are actually looking closely at our fees and charges. The system that we have had now for a number of years relies on spreading the total costs of the system, largely using the device of hourly charges. And of course those hourly charges are picking up all of the costs of the system, not the direct costs of undertaking a specific service in that period of time.

Senator BACK: Can you, on notice, give us details as to what those total costs are? For example, executive salaries and on costs, cost of rent of buildings et cetera—is that all factored somewhere in this?

Dr Grimes: We would be able to take on notice the costs that go into those calculations

Answer:

Details of all cost items recovered through the hourly fee-for-service for livestock exported by air are provided at Attachment A.

Attachment A – Detailed breakdown of cost items included in hourly fee-for-service for livestock exports by air

Expenditure Item	Price per Hour
GRAND TOTAL COST RECOVERED EXPENSES	671.80
Total Direct Labour	366.11
Employee Salaries (sub-total)	253.12
Executive Level 2	74.47
Executive Level 1	16.48
Australian Public Service Level 6	87.48
Australian Public Service Level 5	20.35
Australian Public Service Level 4	41.76
Australian Public Service Level 3	12.58
Salary On-Costs (sub-total)	87.35
Executive Level 2	25.70
Executive Level 1	5.69
Australian Public Service Level 6	30.19
Australian Public Service Level 5	7.02
Australian Public Service Level 4	14.41
Australian Public Service Level 3	4.34
Overtime	19.54
Staff Training & Development	3.99
Temporary & Contract Staff	2.11
Total Direct Materials	62.05
Information Technology	20.64
Travel	13.72
Vehicle Lease Costs	11.61
Legal	7.73
Office Equipment, Stores and Consumables	2.53
Telecommunications	1.05
Other supplier expenses (e.g. Bank charges, Mail charges)	4.77
Total Overheads	225.74
People and Service Delivery	59.85
Executive	52.93
Finance and Business Services	43.49
Regional Property	36.84
Information Services	25.33
Governance	2.94
Office of the Chief Lawyer	2.22
Biosecurity	2.14
Total Depreciation & Amortisation	17.90

Note: Minor variances between expense items and totals exist due to rounding

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 103

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Cost Recovery

Proof Hansard page: 17

Senator CANAVAN asked:

Senator CANAVAN: A follow-up question, Senator: I think the last cost recovery bank statement for live animal exports was—the overhead cost \$3.6 million. Can we have a detailed breakdown on what that \$3.6 million in terms of rent, salaries, IT equipment et cetera?

Dr Grimes: We would be able to take on notice and see what breakdowns we are able to provide to the committee

Answer:

Detail of all overhead items allocated to the Live Animal Export cost recovery arrangement is provided at Attachment A.

Attachment A – Detailed breakdown of overheads allocated to the Live Animal Export cost recovery arrangement

In 2013–14, the department’s process for allocating overhead costs is to distribute the cost of functional work areas that provide corporate services, based on cost drivers (such as FTE) in the receiving areas (such as live animal exports).

Table A below provides a breakdown of the contribution from each work area, which comprises the total of \$3.6 million for live animal exports.

The costs of each of functional work areas can be broken up into categories such as property, salaries and IT expenditure. However, the cost allocation model currently allocates these costs as a group, rather than as individual line items.

At an aggregate level, for all corporate overhead functions in the 2013–14 financial year, the breakdown across expenditure categories was as follows:

2013-14 Overhead Profile	%
Employee Costs	56%
Supplier Costs	38%
<i>Property</i>	23%
<i>ICT</i>	9%
<i>Contractors & Consultants</i>	3%
<i>Travel</i>	2%
<i>Other</i>	1%
Depreciation, Write Down & Impairment	6%

The Department of Agriculture’s cost allocation process does not currently preserve the expense category detail for the purpose of reporting at the level of each cost recovery arrangement. This makes it difficult to provide a breakdown of the \$3.6 million against the expense categories sought in this question.

While it is possible for us to trace back through the allocation and calculate this view of the expenses, there would be a significant amount of work required to provide the information in this format for 2013–14.

The department is reviewing its cost allocation approaches to improve the amount of detail that we are able to provide in future years.

The breakdown of the \$3.6 million by corporate functional area is provided below.

TABLE A

Cost Recovered Overhead	\$'000s
Total Cost Recovered Overhead	3,639
Live Animal Exports Division	1,174
FAS LAE Reform Taskforce	743
AS Live Animal & Reproductive Material Export Ops	431
People & Service Delivery Division	525
Comcare Exp	123
Service Delivery Modernisation	67
AS - Regional Manager	67
Regional People Services	65
Training Development	30
Process Improvement	28
Training Delivery	21
People Services	19
Corporate & Leadership Dev'mnt	19
Workplace Relations	14
Strategic Health	12
People Programs	12
Program & Project Management	11
Enterprise Agreement Team	10
AS-Design and Change	10
Workforce Planning	6
AS - People Capability	5
AS - People Management	5
Policy Division	35
Practice and Procedural Design	35
Finance & Business Support Division	261
Regional Support Business and Finance	62
ACT Property Business Team	45
Payroll Services	37
DA Property	19
Financial Policy & Taxation	19
Cost Recovery	12
Contracts & Services	12
Accounts Receivable	10
Financial Accounting & Treasury	9
AS-Financial Management Branch	8
AS-Commercial Business Branch	6
AS-Industry Support Branch	6
Divisional Support	6
PMO Delivery & Governance	5
Internal Budget & Reporting	3
Accounts Payable	3

Cost Recovered Overhead	\$'000s
Property	1,144
Regional Properties	598
National Office Properties	547
Governance Division	46
Deregulation and Portfolio Strategies Branch Admin	15
Comcover	10
AS - Bus Assurance & Risk Branch	10
Client Feedback	9
Strategic Policy Developmnt	1
Industry Challenges and Opp	1
Information Services Division	418
Contracts, Proc & Vendor Mgmt	132
Export Systems	43
ISD Projects	37
Service Desk	25
Corporate Systems	21
SOA & Web Development	18
Strategy,Architecture & Strategic Projects	17
Information Management.	13
Project Management Office	13
ISD Business Management	12
ISD Security	10
Office of the CIO	10
Performance Mgmt & Monitoring	10
IT Applications	14
Projects	8
Telecommunication & Facilities	7
Aurion	7
Computing Infrastructure	7
ICT Service Improvement	4
ICT Infrastructure Services.	4
ICT Problem & Risk Mgmt	4
Architecture	2
Office of the General Counsel	34
Chief Legal Officer	17
FOI and IPS	8
Privacy and Discretionary Clms	5
Legislation	4

Note: Minor variances between expense items and totals exist due to rounding to nearest \$'000

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 104

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Cost Recovery

Proof Hansard page: 21

Senator CANAVAN asked:

Senator CANAVAN: I want to ask some follow-up questions to Senator Back's. The review that is ongoing is to cost recovery impacts more generally?

Dr Grimes: Indeed. We are looking at a whole range of cost recovery arrangements. It is not simply restricted to—

Senator CANAVAN: live animal exports. How much is the total in your budget that you recover from industry?

Dr Grimes: I might hand to Mr Ryan, who will be able to give you the relevant figures.

Mr Ryan: In 2013-14 the total amount recovered from industry through cost recovery is 335 million, but I will just check that.

Senator CANAVAN: It is in the order of \$300 million, but just take on notice the precise figure.

Mr Ryan: Yes, I will confirm that.

Answer:

Total recoverable expenses in the Department of Agriculture's 2014–15 budget are \$352 million, subject to any change in demand for services.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 105

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Cost Recovery

Proof Hansard page: 22

Senator CANAVAN asked:

Senator CANAVAN: I would also like to ask for the meat inspection service break-up as well—I think it was about \$21 million last year. Can I ask for that to be broken down in the same way? If you could take that on notice.

Answer:

Detail of all overhead items allocated to the Meat Export cost recovery arrangement is provided at Attachment A.

The overhead items total \$11.8 million. It is only when additional costs directly attributable to the export meat program are included that the total cost is in the order of \$21.3 million.

Attachment A – Detailed breakdown of overheads allocated to the Meat Export cost recovery arrangement

The figure of \$21.0 million includes \$11.8 million of allocated corporate overhead expenses for which a detailed breakdown is provided in Table 1.

The remaining \$9.5 million are costs are incurred directly by the Meat Exports program (see Table 2) through a shared service function which is also supporting dairy, fish and egg exports. Using this shared service approach allows the department to deliver the services at lower cost. These are not corporate overhead functions but some confusion can arise as they are also subject to a cost allocation process. Our current reporting to industry does not provide a clear separation of these costs. We are working to improve this.

For corporate overheads: in 2013–14, the department’s process for allocating overhead costs is to distribute the cost of functional work areas that provide corporate services, based on cost drivers (such as FTE) in the receiving areas (such as meat exports).

Table 1, below provides a breakdown of the contribution from each work area, which comprises the total of \$11.8 million for meat exports.

The costs of each of functional work areas can be broken up into categories such as property, salaries and IT expenditure. However, the cost allocation model currently allocates these costs as a group, rather than as individual line items.

At an aggregate level, for all corporate overhead functions in the 2013–14 financial year, the breakdown across expenditure categories was as follows:

2013-14 Overhead Profile	%
Employee Costs	56%
Supplier Costs	38%
<i>Property</i>	23%
<i>ICT</i>	9%
<i>Contractors & Consultants</i>	3%
<i>Travel</i>	2%
<i>Other</i>	1%
Depreciation, Write Down & Impairment	6%

The Department of Agriculture’s cost allocation process does not currently preserve the expense category detail for the purpose of reporting at the level of each cost recovery arrangement. This makes it difficult to provide a breakdown of the \$11.8 million against the expense categories sought in this question.

While it is possible for us to trace back through the allocation and calculate this view of the expenses, there would be a significant amount of work required to provide the information in this format for 2013–14.

The department is reviewing its cost allocation approaches to improve the amount of detail that we are able to provide in future years.

Table 1

Cost Recoverable Overhead	\$'000s
Total Cost Recovered Overhead	11,787
Exports Division	1,015
FAS Exports Division	785
AS Meat NPG Organics Export Ops	230
People & Service Delivery Division	4,438
Regional People Services	969
Comcare Exp	917
Service Delivery Modernisation	498
Regional Manager	386
Training Delivery	309
Training Development	223
Process Improvement	206
People Services	145
Corporate & Leadership Dev'mnt	141
Workplace Relations	104
Strategic Health	89
People Programs	86
Program & Project Management	85
Enterprise Agreement Team	83
AS-Design and Change	78
Workforce Planning	47
AS People Capability	37
AS - People Management	34
Policy Division	264
Practice and Procedural Design	264
Finance & Business Support Division	2,330
Regional Support Business and Finance	670
Payroll Services	297
Cost Recovery	206
Accounts Receivable	178
Financial Accounting & Treasury	152
Financial Policy & Taxation	149
Divisional Support	126
AS-Industry Support Branch	76
Cost Recovery - Export	64
Cost Recovery - New Industries	58
Internal Budget & Reporting	57
AS-Financial Management Branch	57
Accounts Payable	51
AS-Commercial Business Branch	43
PMO Delivery & Governance	36

Cost Recoverable Overhead	\$'000s
Property	1,243
Other Properties	87
Prospect, 29 - 41 Stoddard Rd	2
7 London Circuit - ISPT Lease	85
Governance	444
Communication	65
Deregulation and Portfolio Strategies Branch Admin	114
Bus Assurance & Risk Brch Exec	72
Deregulation & Portfolio Strategies Branch	379
Client Feedback	65
Strategic Policy Developmnt	8
Industry Challenges and Opp	6
Operational Strategies	2
Information Services Division	1,798
Export Systems	641
Contracts, Proc & Vendor Mgmt	399
ISD Projects	113
Service Desk	77
Corporate Systems	62
SOA & Web Development	56
Aurion	55
Strategy,Architecture & Strategic Projects	51
IT Applications	45
Information Management.	39
Project Management Office	39
ISD Business Management	36
ISD Security	31
Office of the CIO	31
Performance Mgmt & Monitoring	30
Projects	25
Computing Infrastructure	22
ICT Service Improvement	12
ICT Infrastructure Services.	12
ICT Problem & Risk Mgmt	11
Architecture	6
Telecommunication & Facilities	6
Office of the General Counsel	255
Chief Legal Officer	124
FOI and IPS	62
Privacy and Discretionary Clms	37
Legislation	32

Table 2

Cost Recoverable Direct Services Allocated Through Overhead*	\$'000s
Total Cost Recovered Direct Services Allocated Through Overhead	9,515
Exports Division	9,515
Food Service Delivery Admin	3,242
Food Audit Services	3,169
Food Documentation Services	1,273
Strategic Initiatives Unit	411
Audit Managemnt System	408
Export System Services	365
Export Establishment Registration	274
Certification Integrity	197
Exports Business Admin Unit	177

Note: Minor variances between expense items and totals exist due to rounding

*These allocated costs represent direct service delivery expenses and are not overheads. In the reports we currently provide to industry, these values appear in the overhead category. This is because our cost allocation tool does not currently distinguish between the two categories. We are working to improve the clarity and transparency of our reporting.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 106

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Efficiency dividend

Proof Hansard page: 36

Senator CAMERON asked:

Senator CAMERON: Okay, can I come back to your operational budget?

Ms Evans: Yes.

Senator CAMERON: You have an additional 0.5 efficiency dividend—is that correct?

Ms Berry: It was a 0.25 efficiency dividend.

Senator CAMERON: What are the implications of that for employment?

Ms Berry: That specifically did not directly relate to employment. That efficiency dividend actually translates into a \$0.8 million savings in the department. That has been achieved, in the main, through our budgeting process, which includes savings in supplier costs. It has not directly related to the reduced staff.

Dr Grimes: If I can be helpful. Effectively, in managing our budget, we really take an overall view. We consider our overall resources and then allocate those accordingly. Over the last year, in our annual report, we report that our full-time equivalent staff levels reduced by about 500 over the year.

Senator CAMERON: So down 500?

Dr Grimes: There is a variety of things that contribute to that. As Ms Berry indicated, it is not just a matter of adjusting staff; we are also looking at other ways in which we can reduce costs as well.

Senator CAMERON: Of course.

Dr Grimes: That was over the course of the last financial year 2013-14 finishing on the 30 June.

Senator CAMERON: So 2013-14 down 500?

Dr Grimes: In full-time equivalent terms. You can pick different start and end points, of course, but that is the number that we have in our annual report for the course of the year.

Senator CAMERON: Where is the biggest impact? What part of your operation has had the biggest reduction?

Question: 106 (continued)

Dr Grimes: We have officers who will have a breakdown by division who will be able to assist you. I will just see if we can locate them. They might be able to come up to the table.

Senator CAMERON: Maybe that is something you could take on notice—

Dr Grimes: We would be happy to provide that in detail to you on notice.

Senator CAMERON: rather than go through all that detail now. I would rather come to the broader issue of the efficiency of the department. When did these cuts start impeding the efficient operation of the department?

Answer:

- Total full-time equivalent (FTE) numbers for the department reduced by 502 between 30 June 2013 and 30 June 2014.
- FTE changes by division are demonstrated in the table below.

Table: Departmental FTE reduction in the 2013–14 financial year			
Division	FTE as at June 2013	FTE as at June 2014	Number Change
Compliance Division	2062.8	1782.5	(280.3)
ABARES	180.6	142.8	(37.8)
People & Service Delivery	222.5	190.4	(32.1)
Post Entry Quarantine Division	74.2	43.7	(30.5)
Finance & Business Support	230.7	205.3	(25.4)
Governance	144.4	119.5	(24.9)
Plant Division	313.4	289.9	(23.5)
Sustainable Resource Management	107.9	86.2	(21.7)
Animal Division	168.2	153.0	(15.2)
Agricultural Productivity	100.8	90.1	(10.7)
Agricultural Adaptation & Forestry	104.7	94.7	(10.0)
Policy Division	92.2	82.3	(9.9)
Information Services Division	135.1	128.1	(6.9)
Trade and Market Access	72.3	67.5	(4.7)
Food Division	417.1	413.9	(3.2)
Executive and Support	9.0	16.0	7.0
Live Animal Exports Division	62.7	70.3	7.6
Office of the General Counsel	2.0	22.3	20.3
Departmental total	4500.3	3998.3	(502.0)

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 107

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Credit card limits

Proof Hansard page: 101

Senator HEFFERNAN asked:

Senator HEFFERNAN: By way of interest, on those trips for the government, is there a limit on the credit cards? Given that we have one guy who is coming before this committee again that has spent \$31,000—

CHAIR: It is a straight yes or no answer. Is there a limit on the credit card? We have to move along.

Dr Grimes: I am not quite sure how to respond to that question.

CHAIR: Take it on notice.

Dr Grimes: Yes. I will have to take it on notice.

Answer:

Yes. Credit cards are issued with a limit of \$2000. Applications for a higher limit are assessed on a business need on a case by case basis.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 108

Division: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Discretionary Grants

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator STERLE asked:

For each discretionary grant program, please list:

1. The total funding for the program
2. The total committed funding for the program
3. The total contracted funding for the program
4. The total uncommitted funding for the program
5. Who has received funding in 2013-14 and the relevant amounts
6. Who will receive the funding over the forward estimates of 2014-15 and 2015-16 and the relevant amounts?

Answer:

1 to 4: The total funding and breakdown for each of the Department of Agriculture's approved grant programmes, as at 31 October 2014, are detailed in the table at Attachment A.

5. A list of all grants provided by the Department of Agriculture is at Attachment B.

6. The recipients of funding not already committed and contracted is not known until applications within each grant programme are approved and contracted.

Approved Grant Programme	Total \$'000	Committed \$'000		Uncommitted \$'000
		Not contracted	Contracted Funding	
Carbon Farming Futures - Action on the Ground	17 077	-	16 942	135
Carbon Farming Futures - Extension and Outreach	12 333	-	12 333	-
Carbon Farming Futures - Filling the Research Gap	40 958	-	40 634	324
National Landcare Programme (Agriculture funded) - including Innovation Grants	25 466	-	25 466	-
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	230	-	230	-
Farm Profits through Rural R&D	97 079	-	-	97 079
Rural Financial Counselling Service Programme	60 877	202	16 769	43 906
Australia-China Agricultural Cooperation Agreement Programme	1314	-	307	1007
Centre of Excellence for Biosecurity Risk Analysis	7161	-	5379	1782

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Action on the Ground	Ternes Agricultural Consulting Pty Ltd	\$775,000
Action on the Ground	Australian Controlled Traffic Farming Association Inc	\$733,307
Action on the Ground	Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers Ltd	\$639,639
Action on the Ground	Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board	\$746,030
Action on the Ground	New South Wales Farming Systems Group Incorporated	\$737,904
Action on the Ground	Ricegrowers Association of Australia	\$697,514
Action on the Ground	Foundation for Arable Research Australia Limited	\$775,000
Action on the Ground	Western Australian No-Tillage Farmers Association (Inc)	\$615,000
Action on the Ground	Australian Melon Association Inc.	\$703,459
Action on the Ground	North Central Catchment Management Authority	\$754,000
Action on the Ground	Northern Gulf Resource Management Group Ltd	\$771,200
Action on the Ground	The University of New England	\$638,948
Action on the Ground	Eyre Peninsula Agricultural Research Foundation Inc	\$664,402
Action on the Ground	Precision Agronomics Australia Pty Ltd	\$208,420
Action on the Ground	Murray Goulburn Co-Operative Co. Limited	\$769,261
Action on the Ground	Dairytas Board Incorporated	\$632,000
Action on the Ground	Burnett Mary Regional Group For Natural Resource Management Ltd	\$772,290
Action on the Ground	South Coast Natural Resource Management Inc	\$556,648
Action on the Ground	Wimmera Catchment Authority	\$271,381
Action on the Ground	Southern Cross University	\$476,204
Action on the Ground	The Australian Wine Research Institute	\$640,000
Action on the Ground	The University of Queensland	\$689,300
Action on the Ground	Cotton Research & Development Corporation	\$769,535
Action on the Ground	Southern Farming Systems Ltd	\$282,000
Action on the Ground	Northern Territory Farmers Association Incorporated	\$771,578
Action on the Ground	Living Farm Pty Ltd	\$258,600

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Action on the Ground	Western Australia Lot Feeders Association Inc	\$649,022
Action on the Ground	The University of Adelaide	\$773,500
Action on the Ground	Queensland University of Technology	\$766,946
Australia-China Agricultural Cooperation Agreement (ACACA) Program	The Institute of Foresters of Australia	\$70,400
Australia-China Agricultural Cooperation Agreement (ACACA) Program	Australian Export Grains Innovation Centre Limited	\$68,568
Australia-China Agricultural Cooperation Agreement (ACACA) Program	Australian Seafood CRC Company Ltd	\$63,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Queensland Water & Land Carers	\$22,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mitchell & District Landcare Assoc Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	National Rural Womens' Coalition Limited	\$38,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Desert Channels Queensland Incorporated	\$33,330
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Thompson Catchment Landcare Group Inc	\$38,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Australian Controlled Traffic Farming Association Inc	\$54,890
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Tasman Landcare Group Inc	\$44,660
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Eastern Hills and Murray Plains Catchment Group Inc	\$20,020
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	YP Alkaline Soils Group Incorporated	\$50,380
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Hortex Alliance	\$30,360
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	AG Excellence Alliance Incorporated	\$49,060
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Partners in Grain NSW VIC TAS	\$53,020
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Hortex Alliance	\$54,670
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mitchell River Watershed Management Group Inc	\$52,250
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Inglewood Landcare Group Inc	\$54,120
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Granite Borders Landcare Committee Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	AVONGRO Wheatbelt Tree Cropping	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Reef Catchments (Mackay Whitsunday Isaac) Limited	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Dairy SA Regional Development Program Incorporated	\$44,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Granite Borders Landcare Committee Incorporated	\$55,000

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mitchell River Traditional Custodian Advisory Group Aboriginal Corporation	\$48,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Central Desert Native Title Services Limited	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Australian Controlled Traffic Farming Association Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Brigalow Jimbour Floodplains Group Inc	\$40,590
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Moolyall-Woodenup Creek Catchment Group Inc	\$53,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Shire of Kellerberrin	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Fitzroy River and Coastal Catchments Inc	\$25,410
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Dalrymple Landcare Committee Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Katanning Land Conservation District Committee	\$48,290
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Macedon Ranges Vignerons Association Inc	\$44,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Demodairy Cooperative Limited	\$54,890
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Granite Belt Wine & Tourism Inc.	\$44,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Landcare Tasmania Inc	\$31,680
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	AG Excellence Alliance Incorporated	\$54,450
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Johnstone River Catchment Management Association Inc	\$48,070
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Far East Victoria Landcare Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mallee Sustainable Farming Inc	\$54,340
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Agricultural Bureau of South Australia Incorporated	\$44,990
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Malanda and Upper Johnstone Catchment Landcare Association Inc	\$25,080
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Barwon Landcare Network	\$19,690
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Macquarie Franklin Pty Ltd	\$43,780
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Eyre Peninsula Agricultural Research Foundation Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Ag Excellence Alliance Incorporated	\$53,570
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Waggamba Landcare Group Incorporated	\$52,470
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Cambooya Landcare Association Inc	\$53,790
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Cambooya Landcare Association Inc	\$20,900

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Western Port Catchment Landcare Network	\$44,770
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Condamine Headwaters Landcare Group Inc	\$13,970
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	South Australian No-Till Farmers Association Inc	\$37,510
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Landcare Tasmania Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	King Island Natural Resource Management Group Inc.	\$35,200
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	South West NRM Ltd	\$53,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Condamine Headwaters Landcare Group Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Queensland Dairyfarmers' Organisation Limited	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Condamine Headwaters Landcare Group Inc	\$28,160
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Yarrilinks Incorporated	\$13,860
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	South Australian No-Till Farmers Association Inc	\$39,710
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Queensland Dairyfarmers' Organisation Limited	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mary River Catchment Coordination Assoc Inc	\$24,970
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Coffs Harbour Regional Landcare Incorporated	\$49,940
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bellinger Landcare Inc	\$31,350
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	South West Goulburn Landcare Inc	\$48,400
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Wherrol Flat & Caparra Landcare Inc	\$22,990
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Victoria River District Conservation Association Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Adelaide Hills Wine Region Inc	\$49,940
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Great Southern Oil Mallee Growers Association	\$38,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Greening Australia (WA) Ltd	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Victoria River District Conservation Association Inc	\$54,450
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Granite Borders Landcare Committee Incorporated	\$23,650
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Ginninderra Catchment Group	\$49,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Broken Catchment Landcare Network Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Angaston Agricultural Bureau	\$49,500

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Federation of Biological Farmers Inc	\$43,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Tween Richmond Organic Producers Organisation Inc	\$33,600
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Hastings Landcare Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Soilcare Incorporated	\$53,790
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Far South Coast Dairy Development Group Incorporated	\$50,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Central West Farming Systems Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Grassroots Agronomy Pty Ltd as trustee for K & G Condon Family Trust	\$38,610
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Binalong Landcare Sub Group Harden Murrumburrah Landcare	\$49,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Southern Precision Agriculture Association (SPAA) Incorporated	\$53,350
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Murrumbidgee Catchment Coordinating Committee	\$52,030
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Holbrook Landcare Group	\$54,670
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Murrumbidgee Landcare Association Inc	\$47,190
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Holbrook Landcare Group	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	North East Agcare Incorporation	\$51,260
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Brunswick Valley Landcare Incorporated	\$22,770
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Ricegrowers' Association of Australia	\$51,590
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Blinman Progress Association Inc	\$39,600
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Coffs Harbour Regional Landcare Incorporated	\$41,030
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Manning Landcare Co-ordinators Management Committee	\$20,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bubboguillion 100 Landcare Group Incorporated	\$6,050
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Hart Field Site Group Incorporated	\$53,350
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Boorowa Community Landcare Group Inc	\$53,570
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Peel-Harvey Catchment Council Inc	\$53,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Barkindji Maraura Elders Environment Team Limited	\$53,350
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mendooran Land Care Incorporated	\$50,270
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bellinger Landcare Inc	\$5,720

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Glen Innes Local Aboriginal Land Council	\$30,580
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Towerhill & Torrens Creek Catchment Landcare Group	\$22,220
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Macquarie Franklin Pty Ltd	\$53,790
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bass Coast Landcare Network Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bega Cheese Limited	\$52,690
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Otway Agroforestry Network Limited	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bass Coast Landcare Network Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Western Landcare NSW Incorporated	\$26,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Loddon Plains Landcare Network	\$20,460
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Dodgshun Medlin Agricultural Management Pty Ltd as trustee for Dodgshun Medlin Agricultural Management Trust	\$22,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Little River Landcare Group	\$39,380
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Northern Plains Conservation Management Network Incorporated	\$49,300
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bass Coast Landcare Network Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Ocean Watch Australia Limited	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Ravensthorpe Agricultural Initiative Network	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Learning & Information Network Kavina Inc	\$10,010
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Ocean Watch Australia Limited	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Wurrkaja Aboriginal Corporation	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Queanbeyan Landcare Incorporated	\$10,670
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	DairySA Regional Development Program Incorporated	\$37,730
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mallee Sustainable Farming Inc	\$54,010
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$5,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bass Coast Landcare Network Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$17,490
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Desert Channels Queensland Incorporated	\$36,520
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Project Platypus Association Inc	\$48,180

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Meekatharra Rangelands Biosecurity Association Inc.	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Dirranbandi Landcare Group Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Dirranbandi Landcare Group Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$54,780
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Moore Catchment Council (Inc)	\$11,990
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Landcare Association Of South Australia Inc.	\$50,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$49,940
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Pilbara Mesquite Management Committee Inc.	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Tamar Region Natural Resource Management Strategy Reference Group Inc	\$51,150
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$44,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Maranoa Regional Landcare Association Inc.	\$31,130
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Sheep Pen Creek Land Management Group Inc	\$10,670
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mallee Sustainable Farming Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Macedon Ranges Vignerons Association Inc	\$44,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Dargo Landcare Group	\$46,860
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Loxton To Bookpurnong Local Action Planning Committee	\$9,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$49,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mt Worth And District Landcare Group Inc	\$42,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$14,190
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mildura District Dried Fruits Association(Adfa) Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Towamba Valley Landcare Group Inc	\$49,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Dookie Land Management Group Inc.	\$22,880
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Broken Catchment Landcare Network Inc	\$30,800
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Warby Range Landcare Group Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Agriculture Kangaroo Island Incorporated	\$54,230

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Soils For Life Pty Ltd As Trustee For The Soils For Life Trust	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mackillop Farm Management Group Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Dumbleyung Land Conservation District Committee	\$19,690
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Murray Dairy	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Gwydir Landcare Association Incorporated	\$54,890
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Clarence Landcare Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Little River Landcare Group	\$18,480
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Northern Territory Farmers Association Incorporated	\$37,950
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Aboriginal Lands Trust Of South Australia	\$52,690
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Ocean Watch Australia Limited	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Rosalie North Landcare Group Inc	\$53,570
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Barwon Landcare Network	\$54,340
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Adelaide Hills Natural Resource Centre Inc	\$31,240
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Border Rivers Catchment Management Association	\$42,200
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Katanning Land Conservation District Committee	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Warren Catchments Council	\$41,800
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Gascoyne Land Conservation District Committee	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Australian Forest Growers	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Perennial Pasture Systems Inc	\$38,500
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Glenrac Incorporated	\$10,450
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Horse Federation Of South Australia Incorporated	\$45,100
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Tamar Region Natural Resource Management Strategy Reference Group Inc	\$52,030
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Australian Forest Growers	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Scotch Oakburn College Environmental Association Inc	\$8,400
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Lower Eyre Agricultural Development Association Inc	\$54,230
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Derwent Catchment Natural Resource Management Committee Inc	\$50,490

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	South Gippsland Landcare Network	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mallee Sustainable Farming Inc	\$43,670
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Rural Directions Pty Ltd As Trustee For Rural Directions Trust	\$54,890
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Agricultural Bureau Of South Australia Incorporated	\$53,570
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Agricultural Bureau Of South Australia Incorporated	\$53,460
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Agricultural Bureau Of South Australia Incorporated	\$49,390
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Berri Barmera Local Action Planning Committee Inc	\$52,250
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The West Moreton Landcare Group Inc	\$39,600
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Agricultural Bureau Of South Australia Incorporated	\$54,780
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Agricultural Bureau Of South Australia Incorporated	\$54,340
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Southern Yorke Peninsula Landcare Group Inc	\$32,670
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	The Agricultural Bureau Of South Australia Incorporated	\$45,540
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Broken Catchment Landcare Network Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Landcare Tasmania Inc	\$49,170
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mallee Sustainable Farming Inc	\$48,180
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Vff Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mallee Sustainable Farming Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Eyre Peninsula Agricultural Research Foundation Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Agriculture Kangaroo Island Incorporated	\$54,450
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Middleback Limited	\$51,370
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Caltowie Corridors Of Green	\$50,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Rural Directions Pty Ltd As Trustee For Rural Directions Trust	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Koonunga Agricultural Bureau	\$49,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$53,790
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Armadales Gosnells Landcare Group "(Inc)"	\$18,480
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mt Marshall Sandalwood Inc	\$49,800

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Coffs Harbour Regional Landcare Incorporated	\$33,770
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Barossa Grape And Wine Association Incorporated	\$50,600
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Southern Precision Agriculture Association (Spaa) Incorporated	\$54,120
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Nt Cattlemens Assn Inc	\$33,440
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Katanning Land Conservation District Committee	\$53,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mallee Sustainable Farming Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Sunraysia Rural Counselling Serv Inc	\$13,420
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	South East Burnett Landcare Group	\$50,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Esperance Regional Forum Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Greening Australia (Wa) Ltd	\$47,520
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Lower Blackwood Land Conservation District Committee	\$53,460
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Warby Range Landcare Group Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Sunraysia Rural Counselling Serv Inc	\$36,190
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Productive Nutrition Pty Ltd	\$32,450
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Wycarbah And District Landcare Inc	\$5,610
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Landcare Tasmania Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority	\$52,250
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Esperance Regional Forum Incorporated	\$54,450
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Woody Yaloak Catchment Group Inc	\$50,380
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Hortex Alliance	\$23,760
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Springvale landcare group Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Gwydir Landcare Association Incorporated	\$47,410
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Cranbury Landcare Group Incorporated	\$48,900
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Serrated Tussock Working Party for NSW and ACT Incorporated	\$9,350
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Southern New England Landcare Coordinating Committee Inc	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Winds Of Change (NSW) Pty Ltd	\$34,210

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Goldfields Nullarbor Rangelands Biosecurity Association Inc.	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Upper Lachlan Catchment Co Ordinating Committee Incorporated	\$49,940
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bega Coast Oysters Incorporated	\$54,890
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Kiama Municipal Council	\$42,020
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Hay Trees On Plains Landcare Group Inc.	\$47,080
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	South East Landcare Incorporated	\$39,050
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Farmlink Research Limited	\$40,480
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Granite Borders Landcare Committee Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Macleay Landcare Network Incorporated	\$55,000
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Mid North Coast Dairy & Pasture Council Incorporated	\$29,300
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	North Coast Regional Landcare Network Incorporated	\$54,450
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	VFF Farm Tree And Landcare Association Incorporated	\$53,790
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bugs & Biology Growers	\$53,350
Caring for our Country - Community Landcare Grants	Bunuba Dawangarri Aboriginal Corporation	\$54,120
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	The Agricultural Bureau of South Australia Incorporated	\$455,400
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Australian Agroforestry Foundation	\$770,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	South Australian No-Till Farmers Association Inc.	\$319,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Conservation Farmers Inc	\$481,250
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	CANFA - Conservation Agriculture & No-till Farming Association Inc.	\$855,140
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Department of Trade and Investment regional infrastructure and services	\$700,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	South Australian Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resources Management Board	\$876,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	South Australian Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resources Management Board	\$962,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Potatoes South Australia Incorporated	\$450,780
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Tasmanian Agricultural Productivity Group	\$1,034,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Birchip Cropping Group Inc	\$1,308,670
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Dept of Environment and Primary Industries	\$694,000

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Rangelands NRM Coordinating Group Inc.	\$925,320
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Rangelands NRM Coordinating Group Inc.	\$818,290
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Mallee Catchment Management Authority	\$618,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	South West NRM	\$1,650,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Qld Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Queensland	\$279,400
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Plant Health Australia Limited	\$935,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Conservation Agriculture Australia	\$326,700
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Applied Horticultural Research Pty Ltd	\$601,150
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Queensland	\$1,144,400
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Hortex Alliance Incorporated	\$525,910
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Southern Farming Systems	\$515,900
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Cotton Australia Limited	\$422,400
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Dairy Australia LTD	\$341,000
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$579,500
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Barkly Landcare and Conservation Association	\$402,820
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Northern Agricultural Catchment Council (NACC)	\$650,650
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	South East Trawl Fishing Industry Association	\$356,840
Caring for our Country - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	The University of Adelaide	\$690,800
Extension and Outreach Program	Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers Ltd	\$442,349
Extension and Outreach Program	Bega Cheese Limited	\$945,208
Extension and Outreach Program	Rural Industries Skill Training Centre Inc	\$1,831,014
Extension and Outreach Program	Rendell Family Trust McGuiness Family Trust Toulmin Family Trust Pomeroy Family Trust Louden Family Trust Shanahan Family Trust Griggs-Kennelly Family Trust	\$1,490,939
Extension and Outreach Program	Australian Farm Institute Limited	\$174,009
Extension and Outreach Program	Australian Farm Institute Limited	\$330,000
Extension and Outreach Program	Burnett Mary Regional Group For Natural Resource Management Ltd	\$1,917,601
Extension and Outreach Program	Fonterra Australia Pty Ltd	\$496,232

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Extension and Outreach Program	South Australian Arid Lands Natural Resources Management Board	\$601,541
Extension and Outreach Program	Kondinin Information Services Pty Ltd	\$773,164
Extension and Outreach Program	Holbrook Landcare Group	\$732,732
Extension and Outreach Program	Murray Goulburn Co-operative Co. Limited	\$703,120
Extension and Outreach Program	Cotton Research & Development Corporation	\$1,452,700
Extension and Outreach Program	Dairy Australia Limited	\$2,267,144
Extension and Outreach Program	Meat & Livestock Australia Limited	\$1,050,588
Extension and Outreach Program	Fertilizer Australia, Inc.	\$1,089,803
Extension and Outreach Program	Kimberley Land Council Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,181,994
Filling the Research Gap	Dairy Australia Limited	\$1,279,490
Filling the Research Gap	Cotton Research and Development Corporation	\$677,884
Filling the Research Gap	Dairy Futures Limited	\$2,145,000
Filling the Research Gap	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$430,882
Filling the Research Gap	University of Tasmania	\$674,257
Filling the Research Gap	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$1,600,000
Filling the Research Gap	University of Melbourne	\$1,200,000
Filling the Research Gap	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$798,000
Filling the Research Gap	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$1,087,000
Filling the Research Gap	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$1,046,565
Filling the Research Gap	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$1,227,515
Filling the Research Gap	University of Melbourne	\$1,034,388
Filling the Research Gap	University of Newcastle	\$925,045
Filling the Research Gap	Queensland University of Technology	\$678,644
Filling the Research Gap	Queensland University of Technology	\$652,144
Filling the Research Gap	Queensland University of Technology	\$485,920
Filling the Research Gap	University of Western Australia	\$333,256

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Filling the Research Gap	University of Western Australia	\$226,162
Filling the Research Gap	University of Western Australia	\$1,428,732
Filling the Research Gap	University of Western Australia	\$1,216,388
Filling the Research Gap	University of Melbourne	\$938,932
Filling the Research Gap	The University of Queensland	\$331,800
Filling the Research Gap	University of Western Australia	\$1,248,634
Filling the Research Gap	University of New England	\$810,314
Filling the Research Gap	University of New England	\$513,414
Filling the Research Gap	University of New England	\$532,613
Filling the Research Gap	Murdoch University	\$662,663
Filling the Research Gap	La Trobe University	\$1,811,361
Filling the Research Gap	Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation	\$599,373
Filling the Research Gap	University of Sydney	\$297,837
Filling the Research Gap	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$590,000
Landcare - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Western Australian Agriculture Authority	\$604,100
Landcare - Strategic Investment - Innovation Grants	Local Land Services	\$700,000
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	La Trobe University (Jane Kelley)	\$19,633
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	Charles Darwin University (Rhiannon Moore)	\$21,820
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	Australian National University (Danswell Starrs)	\$18,975
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	University of Melbourne (Megan Verdon)	\$21,425
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	University of Western Australia (Ramin Rafiei)	\$21,894
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	University of Western Sydney (Jonathan Plett)	\$21,833
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	Murdoch University (Sandra Corbett)	\$21,975
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	DEPI Vic (Kelly Porter)	\$19,926
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	University of Southern Queensland (Alison McCarthy)	\$41,000
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	Paragon Equity Developments Pty Ltd as trustee for the Camden Park Trust (James Walker)	\$22,000

Attachment B

Program	Recipient	Value
Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	University of New England (Zac Economou)	\$21,910

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 109

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Existing resources program

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. How many projects, work, programs or other tasks has the department started as a consequence of government policies or priorities that are required to be funded 'within existing resources'?
2. List each
3. List the staffing assigned to each task
4. What is the nominal total salary cost of the officers assigned to the project?
5. What resources or equipment has been assigned to the project?

Answer:

1. Since Budget Estimates in June 2014, existing resources within the Department of Agriculture have continued to be redirected to meet the Government's priorities as identified in *The Coalition's Policy for a Competitive Agriculture Sector* and *The Coalition's Policy for a More Competitive and Sustainable Fisheries Sector*.
2. No specific measures for which the department did not receive additional resources have been commenced since Budget Estimates in June, 2014.
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.
5. Not applicable.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 110

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Shared resources following MOG changes

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

1. Following the Machinery of Government changes does the department share any goods/services/accommodation with other departments?
2. What resources/services does the department share with other departments; are there plans to cease sharing the sharing of these resources/services?
3. What were the costs to the department prior to the Machinery of Government changes for these shared resources? What are the estimated costs after the ceasing of shared resource arrangements?

Answer:

1. The Department of Agriculture was not affected by Machinery of Government changes; hence there has been no impact on shared resources.
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 111

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Savings and efficiency measures

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since the Appropriate Bills 2014 were passed by the parliament:

1. How many measures, savings tasks or efficiency measures contained in the Appropriations bills have not been actioned or have had no guidance instructions issued?
2. For each measure or task identified in question 1:
 - a. What is the timeframe for implementation?
 - b. Who is the responsible agency for actioning these measures, guidelines or tasks?
 - c. When was the Minister last briefed on this item? Was this briefing requested by the minister or initiated by the department?
 - d. What action has the minister asked be done on this policy?

Answer:

1. The Department of Agriculture has actioned or received guidance instruction on all measures, savings tasks and efficiency measures contained in the Appropriations Bills.
2. Nil.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 112

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Contracts under \$10 000

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June 2014:

- a. Please provide a detailed list of all contracts entered into worth between \$4,000 and \$10,000.

Answer:

It is not Commonwealth Policy to record this information.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 113

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Media Subscriptions

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- a. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - i. Please provide a list of channels and the reason for each channel.
 - ii. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - iii. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - iv. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- b. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - i. Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
 - ii. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - iii. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - iv. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- c. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - i. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
 - ii. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - iii. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - iv. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- d. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
 - i. Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.
 - ii. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - iii. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- e. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?

Question: 113 (continued)

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

a. Pay TV subscriptions:

- i. Please see Attachment A for a list of the department's pay TV subscriptions. The department subscribes to these channels for access to world news and events. The Parliamentary channel provides access to Question Time, Senate Estimates and other Parliamentary activities.
- ii. The cost for pay TV subscriptions from 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 is \$6943.93.
- iii. No pay TV subscriptions are provided to the minister's office.
- iv. N/A

b. Newspaper subscriptions:

- i. Please see Attachment A for a list of the department's newspaper subscriptions. The department subscribes to these newspapers for access to current news and information.
- ii. The cost for the department's newspaper subscriptions from 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 is \$12 812.16.
- iii. Please see Attachment B for newspaper subscriptions that are provided to the minister's office. The minister subscribes to these newspapers for access to current news and information.
- iv. The cost of newspaper subscriptions for the minister's office is \$480.98.

c. Magazine subscriptions:

- i. Please see Attachment C for a list of the department's subscriptions.
- ii. The department does not separately record costs for magazines but includes under 'subscriptions' the total cost of academic, scientific and professional journals as well as magazines. The cost for the department's subscriptions from 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 is \$2857.03.
- iii. Please see Attachment D for the subscriptions that are provided to the minister's office. The minister subscribes to these magazines for access to current news and information.
- iv. The cost of subscriptions for the minister's office is \$79.75.

Question: 113 (continued)

d. Publications:

- i. Please see Attachment E for a list of publications purchased by the department for business related information. Attachment F contains a list of portfolio agency publications.
- ii. The cost for the department's publication purchases from 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 is \$ 64 826.42.
- iii. No publications have been purchased for the minister's office.
- iv. N/A.

Portfolio Agencies

A breakdown of expenditure by portfolio agency (28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 unless otherwise stated) is contained in the table below.

Agency	Pay TV (\$)	Newspapers (\$)	Magazines (\$)	Publications (\$)	Total (\$)
Australian Fisheries Management Authority	0	872	1491	1650	4013
Australian Grape and Wine Authority	0	1991	2224	2010	6225
Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority	0	1112	136	11 550	12 798
Cotton Research and Development Corporation	0	890	1692	0	2582
Fisheries Research and Development Corporation	0	0	632	0	632
Grains Research and Development Corporation	0	132	0	12 956	13 088
Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation	0	1371	180	0	1551
TOTAL	0	6368	6355	28 166	40 889

Department of Agriculture's media subscriptions

Pay TV stations:

- Foxtel A-PAC.
- Foxtel BBC Knowledge.
- Foxtel BBC World news.
- Foxtel Bloomberg.
- Foxtel CNBC.
- Foxtel CNN.
- Foxtel Discovery.
- Foxtel Discovery Science.
- Foxtel Fox News.
- Foxtel National Geographic.
- Foxtel Sky News Australia.
- Foxtel Sky News Business.
- Parliamentary TV.

Newspapers:

- Advertiser, The.
- Advocate, The.
- Age, The.
- Animal Welfare.
- Australian Financial Review.
- Australian, The.
- Australian Ports News.
- Bangkok Post.
- Business Standard.
- Cairns Post.
- Canberra Times, The.
- Countryman, The.
- Courier Mail, The.
- Daily Telegraph, The.
- Economist, The.
- Economic Times.
- Farm Weekly.
- Financial Express, The.
- Herald Sun, The.
- Hindustan Times.
- Indian Express, The.
- International New York Times.
- Jakarta News.
- Jakarta Post.
- Jakarta Globe.
- Japan Times. The.
- Koran Tempo.
- Korea Joogang Daily.
- Korea Times, The.
- Land, The.
- Lloyds List.
- Mackay Daily Mercury.
- Mint.
- Nation, The.
- News Mail.
- Nihon Nogyo.
- NT News.
- Port Lincoln Times.
- Queensland Country Life.
- Stock and Land.
- Stock Journal.
- Sydney Morning Herald
- Times of India
- Torres Strait News
- Townsville Bullentin
- Weekly Times.
- West Australian, The
- Welfare Pulse

Media subscriptions for the Minister's Office

Newspapers (Minister's Office):

- Age, The.
- Australian Financial Review.
- Australian, The.
- Canberra Times, The.
- Courier Mail, The.
- Daily Telegraph, The.
- Economist, The.
- Farm Weekly.
- Herald Sun, The.
- Queensland Country Life.
- Stock and Land.
- Stock Journal.
- Sydney Morning Herald .
- Land, The.
- Weekly Times.

Subscriptions:

- Agricultural economics (International Assoc. of Agricultural Economists).
- Agra Europe (incorporating AgraFood East Europe Weekly, AgraFood Europe, European Potato Markets Monthly, Livestock & Meat Monthly, Potato Markets Weekly, Rural Europe, and World Poultry Meat).
- AgraFacts.
- Americafruit.
- American bee journal.
- American Economic Association membership (7 titles).
- American journal of agricultural economics.
- American journal of veterinary research.
- Animal production science (Continues: Australian journal of experimental agriculture).
- Annual review of phytopathology.
- Applied economic perspectives and policy (Continues: Review of agricultural economics; comes with: American Journal of Agricultural Economics).
- Aquaculture.
- Aquaculture Asia.
- Asia Pacific consensus forecasts.
- Asian timber.
- Austasia aquaculture timber.
- Ausmarine.
- Australasian beekeeper.
- Australasian journal of environmental management.
- Australasian plant pathology.
- Australian & New Zealand grapegrower and winemaker.
- Australian and New Zealand Wine industry directory.
- Australian cottongrower.
- Australian economic papers.
- Australian economic review.
- Australian entomologist.
- Australian farm institute.
- Australian forest grower.
- Australian forestry.
- Australian journal of agricultural and resource economics.
- Australian journal of entomology (Continues: Journal of the Australian Entomological Society).
- Australian journal of public administration (online).
- Australian sugar yearbook.
- Australian veterinary journal.
- Avian diseases.
- Avian Pathology.
- Biometrika.

Subscriptions:(continued)

- Blue Water.
- Biometrika.
- Bulletin of entomological research.
- Bulletin of the European Association of Fish Pathologists.
- Canadian journal of agricultural economics.
- China agriculture yearbook.
- China statistical yearbook.
- Choice.
- Climate change economics.
- Cotton outlook.
- Countryman, The.
- Crop and pasture science.
- Cruising helmsman.
- Daily dairy report.
- Daily Meat News, The.
- Dairy markets : global news and analysis (Continues: Milk products & includes merged Preserved Milk).
- Descriptions of fungi and bacteria (IMI).
- Diseases of aquatic organisms.
- Distribution maps of plant diseases (IMI).
- Distribution maps of plant pests (IMI).
- EBSCO Discovery Service.
- ECA reports and data.
- Ecological economics.
- Economic papers : a journal of applied economics and policy.
- Economic record.
- Economist.
- Energy economics
- Energy policy.
- EPPO/OEPP bulletin.
- Equine veterinary journal.
- Eurofruit.
- European economic review.
- European pharmacopeia.
- European review of agricultural economics.
- Farm policy journal.
- Farm weekly (incorporating Elders Weekly).
- Fiber Organon.
- Fibre 2 fashion.
- Fish farmer.
- Fish pathology = Gyoby kenkyu.
- Fishing news international.
- FO Lichts international sugar and sweetener report.
- Foodlegal bulletin.

Subscriptions:(continued)

- Fruitnet package (three titles: Americafruit, Asiafruit, Eurofruit).
- Gardening Australia.
- Good Fruit & Vegetables (three year package paid 2011).
- Green markets.
- Harvard business review.
- Hort Journal.
- Infofish International.
- Internal Auditor Magazine.
- International financial statistics.
- IVS annual.
- IVS annual (CD).
- IWTO Market Information (was Wool Market Information).
- The Japanese Government Gazette.
- Journal of agricultural economics.
- Journal of econometrics.
- Journal of economic entomology.
- Journal of environmental economics and management.
- Journal of fish diseases.
- Journal of international economics.
- Journal of policy modelling.
- Journal of shellfish research.
- Journal of stored products research.
- Journal of swine health & production.
- Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association.
- Journal of veterinary diagnostic investigation.
- Journal of zoo and wildlife medicine.
- Lancet, The.
- Land economics (Continues: Journal of land & public utility economics).
- Live animal regulations.
- Lloyd List DNC.
- Marine policy.
- Marine resource economics.
- Nature (online).
- New scientist.
- New Zealand journal of forestry.
- Notification of food legislative changes (India).
- Notification of plant requirement changes (India).
- OFI journal: official publication of Ornamental Fish International.
- Organic Gardner.
- Oil world weekly.
- Pesticide & chemical policy (Continues: Pesticide & toxic chemical news).

Subscriptions:(continued)

- Phytopathology.
- Plant disease.
- Poultry Digest
- Preventive veterinary medicine.
- Profarmer Grain (was Profarmer).
- Profarmer wool bulletin.
- Retail World.
- Risk analysis.
- Science (Online).
- Shipping Australia magazine.
- Tempo Magazine.
- Time Magazine.
- Transboundary and emerging diseases (Continues: Journal of veterinary medicine. Series A).
- Twist: the international magazine for luxury fabrics, yarns and fibres (formerly Wool record).
- Vaccine.
- Veterinary immunology and immunopathology.
- Veterinary journal (Continues: British veterinary journal).
- Veterinary microbiology.
- Veterinary record.
- Washington Trade Daily.
- Wine & viticulture journal (continues: Australian & New Zealand wine industry journal; Australian viticulture).
- Wood resource quarterly.
- World aquaculture.

Subscriptions (Minister's Office):

- Time Magazine

Publications:

- Australian & New Zealand Grapegrower and Winemaker.
- A practical guide to information architecture, By Donna Spencer.
- Agra Europe.
- Agricultural Economics (International Assoc of Agricultural Economics).
- Agriculture and forest entomology.
- American Bee Journal.
- Annual review of phytopathology.
- Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy (Continues: Review of agricultural economics; comes with American Journal of Agricultural Economics).
- AsiaFruit.
- Asian Timber (to cease in Dec 14).
- Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.
- Australasian Entomology.
- Australasian Plant Pathology.
- Australasian Beekeeper Journal.
- Australasian Journal of Environmental Management (to cease in Dec 14).
- Australian Cottongrower.
- Australian Economic Papers.
- Australian Economic Review.
- Australian Entomologist.
- Australian journal of entomology.
- Australian Master Tax Guide
- Australian Sugar Yearbook.
- AS3806-2006 Compliance programs
- Bergey's manual of systematic bacteriology Volumes 1 to 5.
- Blah blah blah: what to do when works don't work, by Dan Roam.
- Bulleting of entomological research.
- CAB abstract.
- Canberra IQ (electronic).
- Choice (to cease in Dec 14).
- Climate Change Economics (to cease in Dec 14).
- Colorado Seed Images.
- Coloss beebook : Volume II Standard methods for Apis mellifera pest and pathogen research.
- Crop and Pasture Science (to cease Dec 14).
- Crop Protection Compendium.
- Cycads of the World, by David L. Jones, Dennis Wm Stevenson.
- Daily Dairy Report (to cease in Dec 14).
- Daily Meat News, The.
- Data mining applications with R.
- Descriptions of fungi and bacteria (IMI).
- Developing Successful Agriculture - An Australian Case Study, by Zhang-Yue Zhou.

Publications: (continued)

- Diseases of poultry, 13th edition 2013.
- Distribution maps of plant diseases (IM).
- Distribution maps of plant pests (IM).
- ECA reports and Data.
- EPPO/OEPP bulletin.
- EuroFruit.
- Flora fungorum sinicorum Vol 17.
- Food Policy Journal.
- Fruitnet package (Americafruit, Asiafruit, Eurofruit).
- Gardening Australia.
- Good fruit and vegetables.
- Green Markets.
- Harvard Business Review.
- Infectious Forest Diseases, by: Gonthier P; Nicolotti G.
- Infofish International.
- Inside US Trade.
- Japanese Government Gazette.
- Journal of Agricultural Economics and Management.
- Journal of Avian Medicine and Surgery.
- Journal of International Economics.
- Journal of Policy Modelling.
- Journal of stored products research.
- Journal of Zoo and Wildlife Medicine.
- Land Economics (to cease in Feb 2014).
- Letting go of the words.
- Marine Policy.
- Marine Resource Economics.
- Monthly Index of Medical Specialties (MIMS).
- Notification of food legislative changes (India).
- Official publication of the Association of American Feed Control Officials.
- OHS Alert.
- Oil World Weekly.
- Oracle hyperion interactive reporting 11 expert guide.
- Plant bacteriology.
- Plant disease.
- Potatoes Australia.
- Rabies: Global Status.
- Reptiles and amphibians of Australia.
- Rocket surgery made easy - the do it yourself guide to finding and fixing usability problems, by Steve Krug.
- SAI Global.
- ScienceDirect (Elsevier) - 3 subject collections: Agric. & Biological Sc.; Economics, Econometrics & Finance; Environmental Science.
- Science Sifting: Tools for Innovation in Science and Technology, by Rodney R. Dietert and Janice Dietert.

Publications:(continued)

- Shipping Australia.
- Small ruminant embryo transfer training (DVD).
- Smut Fungi of the World, by Kalman Vanky.
- Terrestrial Animal Health Code. OIE. World Organisation for Animal Health 2012 Ed.
- The Australian Policy Handbook, by Catherine Althaus, Peter Bridgman and Glyn Davis.
- The character of harms : operational challenges in control.
- The Intermedia Group Glebe.
- The regulatory craft : controlling risks, solving problems and managing compliance.
- Tropical fruit flies (Tephritidae Dacinae) of South East Asia.
- ndomalaya to North-West Australasia.
- Twist (formally Wool record).
- Vegetables Australia.
- Veterinarian, The.
- Washington Daily Trade.
- Web of Science 1963+: Science Citation Index plus Conference Proceedings (Science, Social Science & Humanities) and Current Contents Connect).
- Wine and Viticulture Journal.
- Wood Resources Quarterly.
- World Trade Daily.
- World Trade Law.
- Zoological record.

Agriculture portfolio agencies publication subscriptions

- Annual subscription to Wine & Spirits.
- Agrow World Crop Protection News.
- Australian Cottongrower, The.
- Australian Crop Forecasters.
- Australian Farm Institute.
- Ausmarine.
- EBSCO Discovery Service.
- Food service.
- Harvard business.
- Impact Annual subscription.
- James Halliday Wine Atlas for office.
- James Halliday Wine Companion for office.
- Profarmer.
- SAI Global.
- Schumacher Publishing Co.
- WANDS Annual Subscription.
- Wine Enthusiast Annual subscription.
- Wine Gang, The – UK.
- Wine Spectator.
- Workboat world.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 114

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Travel costs (department)

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Is the minister or their office or their delegate required to approve all departmental and agency international travel?
2. If so, under what policy?
3. Provide a copy of that policy.
4. When was this policy implemented?
5. List all occurrences of travel that this has occurred under.
6. Detail the process.
7. When is the minister notified, when is approval provided?
8. Detail all travel (domestic and international) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).
9. Detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.
10. What date was the minister or their office notified of the travel?
11. What date did the minister or their office approve the travel?
12. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

Question: 114 (continued)

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

1. No, not all. The minister or the secretary approves departmental international travel that falls under Resource Management Guide (RMG) No. 405 "*Official International Travel – Approval and Use of the Best Fare of the Day*". International travel for biosecurity activities (exempt from RMG 405) are approved by the relevant first assistant secretary. For more detail, see answer to Question 6.
2. Department of Finance's RMG No. 405 "*Official International Travel – Approval and Use of the Best Fare of the Day*" (previously *Finance Circular No 2013/06 Official International Travel – Approval and Use of Best Fare of the Day*)
3. RMG 405 policy can be found at www.finance.gov.au/procurement/travel-and-related-services/travel-policies.html
4. The policy was implemented on 16 December 2013.
5. Listing all occurrences of international travel would entail a substantial diversion of resources.
6. All departmental international travel proposals are submitted to the travel team. Proposals are collated and presented to the secretary for approval prior to date of travel. For proposals requiring ministerial approval a minute is prepared for the minister's consideration.

Where the total estimated cost (GST inclusive) of international travel, either individually or for a delegation or group activity is:

- a) \$20 000 or less, the travel must be approved by the relevant secretary or agency head;
- b) more than \$20 000 and less than \$50 000, the travel must be approved by the relevant Cabinet Minister; and
- c) \$50 000 or more, the relevant Cabinet Minister must consult with the Prime Minister in writing before approving the travel.

Biosecurity activities are exempt from RMG 405 and are approved by the relevant first assistant secretary.

7. Where the proposed travel is more than \$20 000 and less than \$50 000, the travel must be approved by the relevant Cabinet Minister. This is sought by a minute to the minister prior to the date of travel.

Question: 114 (continued)

8. The travel details for Department of Agriculture officers accompanying the minister and/or parliamentary secretary from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014 are contained in the following table.

Date	Location	Accompanying departmental officer costs	Purpose
26 June – 5 July 2014	New Zealand and Tokelau	An EL2 officer accompanied Parliamentary Secretary Colbeck	To meet with the New Zealand Minister and Associate Minister for Primary Industries, and to attend the 10 th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Forum Fisheries Committee.
13–14 August 2014	Port Lincoln, South Australia	An A/g SES Band 1 Officer accompanied Parliamentary Secretary Colbeck	To meet with representatives of the southern bluefin tuna and the South Australian sardine industries to discuss key issues affecting the respective industries.
14–20 September 2014	China	The Secretary and two EL2 officers accompanied Minister Joyce	To attend bilateral meetings and APEC 2014 China (Harbin, China and Beijing, China).
7–8 October 2014	Torres Strait and Northern Peninsular Area	SES Band 1 Officer accompanied Minister Joyce	To meet with Commonwealth and local officials on current and emerging biosecurity issues. Activities included meetings with Torres Strait Regional Authority, Torres Strait Regional Council representatives, traditional owners, Department of Agriculture and Australian Fisheries Management Authority staff, ranger groups, other senior Australian Government officials, inspection/clearance of insect traps, viewing screening of traditional visitors from PNG villages.

Question: 114 (continued)

The total cost for departmental officers that accompanied the minister and/or parliamentary secretary on their travel from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014, and a breakdown of the total cost are contained in the table below.

Total bookings	Airfare expenditure*	Accommodation expenditure	Meal expenditure^	Incidental expenditure	Total expenditure
6	\$25 476 Business \$1730 Economy	\$7458	\$2589	\$954	\$38 207

^GST exclusive

9. The travel details for Department of Agriculture officers from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014 are contained in the table below.

Total bookings	Airfare expenditure*	Accommodation expenditure	Meal expenditure	Incidental expenditure	Total expenditure
4090	\$2 214 410	\$2 2 059 805	\$2 932 719	\$2 383 043	\$9 589 977

*Type of airfare – departmental policy for domestic travel is economy for all officials and, for SES officials, business class for air tickets where the flight is more than 3 hours in duration. For international travel, all officials are entitled to business class airfare. The Department of Agriculture follows the advice in accordance with the current Department of Finance circulars.

The provision of a business reason and explanation of why travel was undertaken would entail a substantial diversion of resources.

10. The provision of this level of detail would entail a substantial diversion of resources.

11. The provision of this level of detail would entail a substantial diversion of resources.

12. Department of Agriculture officers undertake travel on an as required basis and in accordance with Whole of Australian Government Travel Arrangements and agency policy.

Portfolio entities:

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. No, all overseas travel, apart from deployment on fisheries monitoring and compliance patrols which is approved by the General Manager, Operations Branch, requires approval of the AFMA Chief Executive Officer.

2. Not applicable.

3. Not applicable.

4. Not applicable.

Question: 114 (continued)

5. Not applicable.
6. Not applicable.
7. Not applicable.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority (Wine Australia)

1. No.
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.
5. Not applicable.
6. Not applicable.
7. Not applicable.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

1. No, not all. Official international travel must be approved by the Cabinet Minister where the total estimated cost (GST inclusive) of international travel, either individually or for a delegation or group activity, is more than \$20 000 and less than \$50 000.
2. This is in accordance with the *Department of Finance Resource Management Guide No. 405: Official International Travel – Approval and Use of the Best Fare of the Day*.
3. A copy of this policy can be found on the Department of Finance website www.finance.gov.au/procurement/travel-and-related-services/travel-policies.html
4. The policy was implemented on 16 December 2013.
5. From 1 July to 30 November 2014 the APVMA has not received any international travel approval from the minister.
6. Approval from the minister is requested in writing, which includes an itinerary, breakdown of costs and the purpose of the visit.
7. The minister is notified prior to travel.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

1. The Accountable Authority (Board) is required to approve all CRDC international travel.
2. The Board established an Accounting and Administration Policy in 2000 which requires all travel to be approved by using a travel request form approved by the executive director for domestic travel and the Board for international travel.

Question: 114 (continued)

3. CRDC's policy states:

Clause 5.4 Staff & Director travel and accommodation

- A travel request form must be completed prior to travel being undertaken.
 - All staff domestic travel is to be approved by the executive director and is to be within the Corporation's approved budget.
 - Directors can travel domestically at their discretion subject to prior advice being given to the Chairman and/or executive director and verification that the travel was for the Corporation.
 - Overseas travel by either directors or staff is to be approved by the Board.
4. The policy was implemented on 1 July 2000.
5. In November 2014 the chair, executive director and a program manager attended the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) meeting in Athens, Greece.
6. The Board approved travel and attendance for the ICAC meeting at the April 2014 Board meeting during an in-camera session.
7. Not applicable.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC)

1. The FRDC delegates approve travel as per the FRDC travel policy and the board approved delegation policy schedule.
2. Travel policy.
3. Refer http://frdc.com.au/about_frdc/corporate-documents/Pages/corp_policies.aspx and policy is attached.
4. The policy was implemented in February 1994.
5. All travel is as per the travel policy noting that the FRDC does not travel regularly internationally.
6. The travel process is as per the FRDC travel procedure.
7. Not applicable.

Grains Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.
5. Not applicable.

Question: 114 (continued)

6. Not applicable.

7. Not applicable.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation

1. The minister or their office or their delegate is not required to approve international travel for the Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation.

2. Not applicable.

3. Not applicable.

4. Not applicable.

5. Not applicable.

6. Not applicable.

7. Not applicable.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 115

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Meeting costs

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June 2014:

1. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from Estimates, 2014 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.
3. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer:

1. The Department of Agriculture, Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) and Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) do not have systems in place to capture the details required. To attempt to generate the records would take a considerable amount of time and would not be considered an appropriate allocation of resources. Similarly, the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC) have advised that this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of FRDC's resources. The responses from the other portfolio agencies are included in Attachment A.
2. The Department of Agriculture does not hold this information.
3. The Department of Agriculture, AFMA and FRDC do not have systems in place to capture the details required. To attempt to generate the information would take a considerable amount of time and would not be considered an appropriate allocation of the department's resources.
4. The Department of Agriculture does not hold this information.

PORTFOLIO AGENCIES RESPONSES – MEETING COSTS 1 FERUARY TO 30 APRIL 2014**Australia Grape and Wine Authority (AGWA)**

AGWA's meeting costs from 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 were \$439.

Date	Location	Purpose	\$ Cost	Includes Catering / Food/ Drinks
1/8/14	Washington USA	Stakeholders meeting	439	Y

AGWA has no planned expenditure from 1 November 2014 onwards:

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

CRDC's meeting costs from 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 were \$124 689.

Date	Location	Purpose	\$ Cost	Includes Catering / Food/ Drinks
3/06/14	Brisbane	Cotton Conference meeting	361	N
19/06/14	Toowoomba / St George	National Centre for Engineering in Agriculture at Uni. Southern Qld / growers / consultants	1286	Y
19-20/6/14	Canberra	Research & Development Corporations Business and IT Managers meetings	1791	Y
26/06/14	Canberra	Research & Development Corporations meetings	4150	Y
10/07/14	Narrabri	Research & Development managers meeting	1033	Y
16/07/14	Griffith	Open Workforce development meeting	342	Y
29/07/14	Brisbane	Intellectual Property meeting	7902	Y
13/08/14	Sydney	Audit committee meeting	6370	Y
19/08/14	Sydney	Bee pollination meeting	2266	Y
19/08/14	Toowoomba/Roma	Pest management committee meeting	797	Y
22/08/14	Melbourne	Clarity program meeting	1754	Y
26/08/14	Sydney	Transgenic Insect Management Strategy meeting	839	Y
27/08/14	Brisbane	DAFF (Qld) ag robotics program	1100	N
28/08/14	Goondiwindi	Industry Nitrogen Management Forum	5347	Y
4/09/14	Sydney	CSIRO meeting	1304	Y
9/09/14	Canberra	CRRDC Meeting	2218	Y

CRDC Con't

Date	Location	Purpose	\$ Cost	Includes Catering / Food/ Drinks
17/09/14	Not provided	Climate Change Meeting	738	Y
18/09/14	Sydney	Cotton MyBMP implementation group meeting	3525	N
6-9/10/14	Narrabri	Research & Development managers meeting	6167	Y
8/10/14	Sydney	Workforce planning	621	Y
8/10/14	Canberra	Australian Cotton Industry Council meeting	1283	Y
9/10/14	Canberra	RDC meeting	588	Y
12/10/14	Geelong	CSIRO meeting	861	N
17/10/14	Brisbane	CRDC Futures Program	855	Y
20/10/14	Sydney	IP meeting	670	Y
21/10/14	Sydney	Bio pesticide with NSW DPI	2353	Y
23/10/14	Sydney	National University Network Precision Agricultural Systems industry workshop	1584	Y
28/10/14	Sydney	Research & Development Corporations Business managers meeting	447	N
28/10/14	Sydney	Water Primary Industry Standing Committee, (now called the Research, Development and Innovation Committee) meeting	909	Y
Various	Various	Cotton info management	22 011	Y
Various	Various	Futures Forums	43 217	Y
Total			124 689	

CRDC's planned expenditure from 1 November has not been determined.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

GRDC's meeting costs from 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 were \$26 531.

Date	Location	Purpose	\$ Cost	Includes Catering / Food/ Drinks
3-4/06/14	Canberra	Board Meeting	1171	Y
16-18/06/14	Canberra	National Panel Meeting	2077	Y
24/06/14	Canberra	Natural Resources Meeting	220	N
24/06/14	Melbourne	Southern Panel Meeting	5134	Y
25/06/14	Canberra	PBA Stakeholder Engagement Meeting	43	Y
21-22/07/14	Canberra	Northern Panel Meeting	1799	Y
22/07/14	Perth	Soil Constraints West Steering Committee	75	Y
24/07/14	Canberra	Commercial Meeting	696	Y
28/07/14	Canberra	IPW Process Planning Meeting	168	Y
29/07/14	Canberra	Grower Survey Presentation	252	N
30/07 – 1/08/14	Melbourne	Board Meeting	4147	Y
1/08/14	Canberra	Global Diversity Trust re. Plant Genetic Resource Centre	172	N
4-8/08/14	Canberra	National Panel Meeting	696	Y
6-7/08/14	Canberra	FR&A Committee Meeting, Remuneration Committee Meeting	1380	Y
25/08/14	Canberra	CeRRF Meeting	137	N
26-27/08/14	Melbourne	National Panel Meeting	3038	y
28/08/14	Canberra	ICRISAT Meeting	33	Y
29/08/14	Canberra	Delivery Platforms Meeting	18	Y
1/09/14	Canberra	RESP Meeting	13	Y
11/09/14	Albion, Qld	Northern Panel Meeting	618	Y
23-24/09/14	Canberra	Board Meeting	1466	Y
13-14/10/14	Canberra	Delivery Platforms Meeting	103	Y
14-15/10/14	Melbourne	Southern Panel Meeting	3075	Y
Total			26 531	

GRDC's planned expenditure from 1 November onwards is \$78 971.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)

RIRDC's meeting costs from 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014 were \$34 329.

Date	Location	Purpose	\$ Cost	Includes Catering/ Food/ Drinks
May	Canberra	Board meeting	11 231	Y
June	Canberra	Pre-meeting with MACS chair	55	N
August	Canberra	RWA National Interviews	137	N
August	Leeton	Stakeholder meeting	480	N
August	Sydney	US congressional delegation	794	N
August	Canberra	Board meeting	6896	Y
September	Canberra	Audit Committee meeting	1937	Y
September	Darwin	ARLP Board Meeting	110	N
September	Canberra	Board meeting	9099	Y
October	Casino	Stakeholder meeting	361	N
October	Melbourne	Pasture improvement initiative meeting	601	N
October	Brisbane	Future of Agriculture meeting	1892	N
October	Sydney	Water use in agriculture meeting	411	N
October	Sydney	RDC Business Managers Meeting	325	N
Total			34 329	

RIRDC does not have any planned meeting expenditure from 1 November 2014 onwards.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 116

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Hospitality and entertainment

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. What has been the Department/Agency's hospitality spend including any catering and drinks costs.
2. 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.
3. What has been the Department/Agency's entertainment spend? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

Question: 116 (continued)

Answer:

1. The Department of Agriculture's and each portfolio agency's hospitality spend, including catering and drinks costs, is at [Attachment A](#).
2. For the period from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014, the expenditure on official hospitality by the Minister was \$6897. [Attachment B](#) details the date, the location, the purpose and the cost of all events. The Parliamentary Secretary's expenditure for the same period was Nil.
3. The department does not separately classify events as 'entertainment' but rather as official hospitality. The spend from those events is included in the response to question 1. The entertainment spend for each portfolio agency is detailed in [Attachment C](#).
4. All entertainment expenditure for the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary is disclosed in the response to question 2.
5. The department's planned hospitality expenditure from 1 November 2014 to 30 June 2015 is \$28 390. Please see [Attachment D](#) for details. Please note this information is subject to change. The details for the portfolio agencies appear at [Attachment E](#).
6. The planned hospitality expenditure from 1 November 2014 to the 30 June 2015 for the Minister's office is \$3500 ([see Attachment F](#)) and Parliamentary Secretary's office is Nil.
7. All of the department's planned entertainment expenditure is disclosed in the response to question 5. The details for the portfolio agencies appear at [Attachment G](#).
8. All planned entertainment expenditure for the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary is disclosed in the response to question 5.
9. The department and portfolio agencies are not currently planning for a reduction on expenditure for official hospitality.

ANSWER TO PART 1 - HOSPITALITY EXPENDITURE BY THE DEPARTMENT AND PORFOLIO AGENCIES

Entity	Abbreviation	Expenditure
Department of Agriculture		28 766
Australian Fisheries Management Authority	AFMA	302
Australian Grape and Wine Authority	AGWA	3902
Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority	APVMA	664
Cotton Research and Development Corporation	CRDC	4845
Fisheries Research and Development Corporation	FRDC	5559
Grains Research and Development Corporation	GRDC	6498
Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation	RIRDC	56 423
	Total	106 959

Please note:

- AGWA distinguishes hospitality events as formal meals. Entertainment is where AGWA meets with stakeholders for informal meals.
- CRDC distinguishes hospitality events as meetings where CRDC provided a meal (dinner) to directors, staff and industry representatives. Entertainment events are special one-off events that are predominately to provide a meal (with drinks).
- When GRDC are hosting an event with external people, the event is considered 'hospitality'. When GRDC have an internal event with Board members and/or staff it is considered 'entertainment'.

ANSWER TO PART 2 - EXPENDITURE ON OFFICIAL HOSPITALITY BY THE MINISTER

Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (inc. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (inc. GST) \$	Total Cost (inc. GST) \$
21/08/14	Dinner for Agricultural Industry Advisory Council (AIAC) members prior to their third meeting	Darwin	2130	912	3042
30/10/14	Dinner for AIAC members prior to their fourth meeting	Sydney	2564	1291	3855
Total			4694	2203	6897

ANSWER TO PART 3 - ENTERTAINMENT EXPENDITURE

Summary:

Entity	Abbreviation	Total Expenditure
Department of Agriculture		Nil
Australian Fisheries Management Authority	AFMA	Nil
Australian Grape and Wine Authority	AGWA	2296
Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority	APVMA	Nil
Cotton Research and Development Corporation	CRDC	3750
Fisheries Research and Development Corporation	FRDC	Nil
Grains Research and Development Corporation	GRDC	4412
Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation	RIRDC	Nil
	Total	7083

AGWA					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
31/07/14	Lunch with Burke Reschke	Adelaide	122	51	173
31/08/14	South Australian Tourism Commission (SATC)	Los Angeles	31		31
31/08/14	Stakeholders meeting	Napa	358	125	483
31/08/14	Breakfast meeting with importer	Napa	27		27
31/08/14	Lunch with California Wine Institute	Shanghai	38		38
31/08/14	Lunch with Yesmywine.com	Shanghai	109		109
04/09/14	Dinner with Society Wine Educators	Seattle	98	60	158
30/09/14	Meeting with Austrade	Adelaide		60	60
30/09/14	Lunch meeting – SA Wine Industry Association	Adelaide	67	14	81
08/10/14	Lunch with PR Indigo	Shanghai	110		110

ATTACHMENT C

AGWA					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
21/10/14	Dinner meeting – Vine Street Importers	Philadelphia	181	123	304
21/10/14	Lunch meeting with SA Tourism Corporation	Philadelphia	186		186
21/10/14	Lunch meeting importer - Negotiants		61		61
31/10/14	Breakfast meeting with Jing Cao	Adelaide	22		22
31/10/14	Dinner with Barossa Valley Grape & Wine Association	Adelaide	144	155	299
31/10/14	Meeting with Barossa Grape & Wine Association (BGWA)	Adelaide	10	92	102
31/10/14	Lunch meeting with the NSW Institute	Sydney	52		52
Total			1472	620	2296

Please note: AGWA distinguishes hospitality events as formal meals. Entertainment is where AGWA meets with stakeholders for informal meals.

CRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
29/06/14	Function on retirement of General Manager with industry representatives attending	Narrabri	2800	950	3750
Total			2800	950	3750

Please note: CRDC distinguishes hospitality events as meetings where CRDC provided a meal (dinner) to directors, staff and industry representatives. Entertainment events are special one-off events that are predominately to provide a meal (with drinks).

ATTACHMENT C

GRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
14/08/14	IPW Dinner	Barton	1 453	1 592	3 045
30/09/14	GRDC Board members dinner	Barton	139	0	139
31/10/14	Board Dinner	Yarralumla	1 228	0	1 228
Total			2 820	1 592	4 412

Please note: When GRDC are hosting an event with external people, the event is considered 'hospitality'. When GRDC have an internal event with Board members and/or staff it is considered 'entertainment'.

ANSWER TO PART 5 - PLANNED HOSPITALITY FOR THE DEPARTMENT

Planned Date	Details (Type of function; Reason for function)	Proposed Location	Meal Component Estimate \$	Alcohol Component Estimate \$	Total Estimate \$
16-27/11/14	Australia China Agricultural Cooperation Agreement (ACACA) Agricultural Investment 2 week Mission	Various in Aus	9000	700	9700
10/12/14	Dinner - Australia/USA Plant Technical Bilateral meeting	Hobart	750	250	1000
7-17/12/14	ACACA Land Resources 1.5 Week Mission	Various in Aus	9000	750	9750
25-26/12/14	Framework for the National Recreational fishing Survey technical workshop 1	Melbourne	1690	295	1985
12/14	Dinner - International Observers Program - National Livestock Standstill Exercise Odysseus	Canberra	1300	150	1450
02/15	Dinner - Chinese officials conducting audit of meat and dairy establishments	Canberra	600	200	800
1/03/15	Framework for the National Recreational fishing Survey technical workshop 2	Melbourne	1690	295	1985
2/03/15	Agriculture Senior Officials Committee (AGSOC) dinner prior to meeting three	Canberra	800	250	1050.
Total			24 830	2890	27 720

ANSWER TO PART 5 - PLANNED HOSPITALITY FOR PORTFOLIO AGENCIES

AFMA					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
	Nil planned				

AGWA					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
10/11/14	Dinner with South Australian Tourism Commission (SATC) contact at Wagstaff	Los Angeles	194	125	319
10/11/14	Dinner with importer - Hudson	Los Angeles	69	57	126
5/12/14	Australia – Staff Development Day	Adelaide			3000
Total			263	182	3445

APVMA					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
5/11/14	Dinner during the APVMA Advisory Board Futures Forum for the speakers involved and Board members	Santa Lucia	430	166	596
5/12/14	End-of-year function funded by APVMA staff (\$2654) and partial contribution by APVMA to room hire (\$300) and meal component (\$1198)	Eastlake Football Club	1198	0	1198
Total			1628	166	1794

CRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
1/11/14 - 30/06/15	Stakeholder / Advisory Panels / Steering Committees	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	10 000
Total					10 000

ATTACHMENT E

FRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
02/15	Stakeholder function at FRDC February 2015 board meeting	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

GRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
Budget till 30 June 15	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	17 735
Total					17 735

RIRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
11/14	Food Futures Conference	Darwin	1000	0	1000
11/14	Honeybee Advisory Panel Dinner	Canberra	200	70	270
Total			1200	70	1270

ANSWER TO PART 6 - PLANNED HOSPITALITY FOR THE MINISTER'S OFFICE

Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
31/03/15-1/04/15	Agricultural Industry Advisory Council (AIAC) meeting five	Tasmania	2500	1000	3500
Total					3500

ANSWER TO PART 7 - PLANNED ENTERTAINMENT FOR PORTFOLIO AGENCIES

AFMA					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
	Nil planned				

AGWA					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	25 105
Total					25 105

Please note: The full year forecast for AGWAs Entertainment is \$25 105. This will be represented by numerous low value transactions, arising from meetings and discussions that are conducted over breakfast/lunch/dinner in the course of market access and market development, the details of which are currently unplanned.

APVMA					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
	Nil planned				

CRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
1/11/14 - 30/06/15	Stakeholder / Advisory Panels / Steering Committees	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	10 000
Total					10 000

ATTACHMENT G

FRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
	Nil planned				

GRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
Budget till 30 June 2015	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	17 735

RIRDC					
Date	Details	Location	Meal Component (incl. GST) \$	Alcohol Component (incl. GST) \$	Total Cost (incl. GST) \$
	Nil planned				

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 117

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Coffee Machines

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Has the department/agency purchased, leased or rented any coffee machines for staff useage?
 1. If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?
 2. Why were coffee machines purchased?
 3. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
 4. Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
 5. Who has access?
 6. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
 7. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

1. Yes. The department's response to Questions 1 and 7 are in the following table.

Machine Type	Purchase Cost	Quantity	Purchase Date	On-going cost
Nespresso Breville Pixie Capsule BEC	\$209 (inc GST)	1	August 2014	Nil

Question: 117 (continued)

2. The coffee machine was purchased for the staff working 24 hour shifts at the Perth International Airport during the period when the Airport's food hall and amenities facilities were closed for airport building works.
3. Anecdotal evidence is that staff are now infrequently leaving the premises when the facilities are closed.
4. Departmental funds.
5. Access to the coffee machine is by departmental staff working at the airport.
6. The local staff/social club maintains the coffee machine and funds coffee supplies.
7. Nil cost to the department, see question 6.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

None.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

None.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority (AGWA)

None.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

None.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC)

None.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

None.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)

None.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 118

Division: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Printing

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed?
 - a. How many of these printed documents were also published online?
2. Has the Department 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:

Department of Agriculture

1. The provision of this information would entail a substantial diversion of resources.
2. Yes.
 - a. BlueStar Print Group, Elect Printing, Focus Press, LCdigital, New Millennium Print, Paragon Print, QPrint and Union Offset
 - b. Each company was selected following a request for quote process and conducting a value for money assessment of the proposal in line with the department's procurement policy

Question: 118 (continued)

c.

Item	Printer	Total Cost of Printing \$
Business cards	BlueStar Print Group	16 670
Envelopes	BlueStar Print Group	6002
Envelopes	Focus Press	189
Envelopes	Paragon Print	7857
Forms	BlueStar Print Group	111 641
Agricultural Commodities June Quarter 2014	Union Offset	4631
National Rural Advisory Council Annual Report 2012–13	Union Offset	627
Illegal Logging Factsheet and Guidance Folder	Bluestar Print Group	4085
Australian Beef	Union Offset	2200
Australian Lamb	Union Offset	1760
Agricultural Commodities September Quarter 2014	New Millennium Print	5411
Aquaplan 2104–2019	Elect Printing	31 343
Forestry at a Glance	Elect Printing	6478
NAQS 25 Years (Northern Australia Quarantine Strategy)	Elect Printing	5740
Australian Grains Report	LCdigital	618
Wild Dog Survey	Union Offset	2299
Australia's Second National Plan of Action to Prevent Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing	New Millennium Print	1934
Fishery Status Report	Union Offset	11 700
Geoff Miller Memorial Book (previous Secretary)	LCdigital	208
SES Contact Booklets	QPrint	779
'Effective Workplace Conversations – Performance Management Core Skills' training course participant workbook	New Millennium Print	1913
Annual Report 2013–14	Union Offset	8547
Total		232 632

Australian Fisheries Management Authority

1. The provision of this information would entail a substantial diversion of resources.
2. Yes. For all transactions in excess of \$1000, the table below details the company providing the services, how the company was selected and the cost of the printing.

Question: 118 (continued)

There was \$4270.26 spent on printing where the individual transactions were less than \$1000. Providing detail of these minor transactions would cause an unreasonable diversion of AFMA resources

- a. ADIT Promotional Products, CanPrint, Cross and Hamilton, Focus Print Group, NewPrint Pty Ltd, Printing Factory and Swell Design Group
- b. Direct source or three quote process
- c.

Item	Printer	Total Cost of Printing \$
Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery 2014 Management Arrangement Booklet	Can Print	4350
AFMA Annual Report	Swell Design Group	8672
Northern Prawn Fishery Document	Focus Print	1273
Gillnet Fishing Log Books	Cross and Hamilton	2035
Line Fishing Log Books	Cross and Hamilton	1953
SESSF Catch disposal record log books	Cross and Hamilton	2890
Catch Compositions forms	Printing factory	1280
Pen, trade show bag and recycled pencils with logos	ADIT Promotional Products	1195
Tropical Rock Lobster, Torres Strait Finfish, Eastern Finfish Trawl and Northern and Torres Strait Prawn Logbooks, Torres Strait docket books and Pelagic Fisheries catch disposal records	Cross and Hamilton	13 078
Envelopes	NewPrint Pty Ltd	1048
Total		37 774

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

1. The provision of this information would entail a substantial diversion of resources.
2. Yes.
 - a. Adelaide Business Bureaux, Birchgrove, Copie 2000, Fed ex, Ficklestix, Inbox LLC, J&A International, Konica, Maxim Western, Nisbits, Planet Press, Prestige Copying , Printek, Ricoh Canada, Staples and Willow Print Services
 - b. Adelaide Business Bureaux and Prestige Copying are continued preferred suppliers. For various marketing brochure and banner printing, the market team selects preferred suppliers based on price

Question: 118 (continued)

c.

Item	Printer	Total Cost of Printing \$
Finance documents	Adelaide Business Bureaux	2490
Compliance certificates	Prestige Copying	4290
Marketing brochures and banners	Brichgrove	297
Marketing brochures and banners	Copie 2000	166
Marketing brochures and banners	Fed Ex	543
Marketing brochures and banners	Ficklestix	781
Marketing brochures and banners	Inbox LCC	7914
Marketing brochures and banners	J&A International	175
Marketing brochures and banners	Konica	605
Marketing brochures and banners	Maxim Western	1116
Marketing brochures and banners	Nisbets	47
Marketing brochures and banners	Planet Press	313
Marketing brochures and banners	Printek	379
Marketing brochures and banners	Ricoh Canada	1367
Marketing brochures and banners	Staples	50
Marketing brochures and banners	Willow Print Services	5916
Total		\$26 466

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority

2. Yes.

- a. CanPrint
- b. Value for money selection after receiving three quotes
- c. 2013–14 Annual Report, \$7756

Cotton Research and Development Corporation

2. Yes.

- a. North West Courier News and Westminster Printing
- b. By quote

Question: 118 (continued)

c.

Item	Printer	Total Cost of Printing
Cotton Industry RD&E Spotlight Magazine	North West Courier News	\$3105
Cotton Industry Health Farms calendar 2015	Westminster Printing	\$6080
Total		\$9185

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

2. Yes.

- a. Paragon Printers
- b. As per the FRDC procurement policy
- c. Fish magazine distributed to stakeholders \$31 374.

Grains Research and Development Corporation

1. The provision of this information would entail a substantial diversion of resources.

2. Yes.

- a. Coretext and Paragon Printer
- b. Design company have a selection process and is chosen by them and Commonwealth Procurement Rules
- c.

Item	Printer	Total Cost of Printing
GRDC Grower Report	Paragon Printer	\$24 466
Adjuvants Booklet	Coretext	\$5200
Factsheets	Coretext	\$66 160
Practical Tips for Spraying/Spay Equipment	Coretext	\$1408
Pre-emergent Herbicides	Coretext	\$1430
European Earwigs	Coretext	\$440
Portuguese millipedes & slaters	Coretext	\$440
Managing Soil Organic Matter	Coretext	\$7623
Invertebrate Pests	Coretext	\$7546
RCSN Western Annual Report	Coretext	\$2613

Question: 118 (continued)

Item	Printer	Total Cost of Printing
WA Barley variety guide	Coretext	\$8899
Harvester Fire	Coretext	\$2013
Nozzle Selection	Coretext	\$1238
Ground Cover September/October #112	Coretext	\$33 200
Ground Cover Supplement September/October #112	Coretext	\$11 183
Ground Cover November/December #113	Coretext	\$37 405
Ground Cover Supplement November/December #113	Coretext	\$13 299
Flysheets SA Sowing guide	Coretext	\$669
Ground Cover Direct November 2014 to April 2015	Coretext	\$18 568
Total		\$243 800

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation

1. The provision of this information would entail a substantial diversion of resources.
2. Yes.
 - a. Bytes 'N Colours and Union Offset
 - b. They were selected using a combination of criteria, including quality of product, speed/efficiency, capability and cost
 - c.

Item	Printer	Total Cost of Printing
Horizon Scholarship brochure	Union Offset	\$242
Northern Ag brochure	Union Offset	\$946
Focus on Cyclone Resilience	Union Offset	\$178
Rural Women's Award gala dinner – table card	Union Offset	\$204
Rural Women's Award gala dinner – dinner booklet	Union Offset	\$396
Rural Women's Award gala dinner – menu card	Union Offset	\$198
RIRDC staff business cards	Union Offset	\$88
Rural Women's Award gala dinner - invitations	Union Offset	\$2013
RIRDC staff business cards	Union Offset	\$253
Rural Women's Award brochure	Union Offset	\$638
Bioenergy sector plan	Union Offset	\$1430

Question: 118 (continued)

Item	Printer	Total Cost of Printing
Coffee Growers manual	Union Offset	\$2123
RIRDC AOP	Union Offset	\$1103
Rural Diversity magazine (edition 15)	Union Offset	\$2277
Trade Policy Today Report	Union Offset	\$1551
Honey Bee Project Summary	Bytes n Colours	\$270
Agriculture in North West Tasmania information sheet	Bytes n Colours	\$192
Primary Industries Health and Safety Partnership banner	Bytes n Colours	\$231
Honey Bee and Pollination Project Summary	Bytes n Colours	\$288
Bee Friendly Summary Sheet	Bytes n Colours	\$379
Total		\$15 000

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 119

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Corporate Cars

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. How many cars are owned by each department/agency?
 - a. Where are the cars located?
 - b. What are the cars used for?
 - c. What is the cost of each car during the specified period?
 - d. How far did each car travel during the specified period?
2. How many cars are leased by each department/agency?
 - a. Where are the cars located?
 - b. What are the cars used for?
 - c. What is the cost of each car during the specified period?
 - d. How far did each car travel during the specified period?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

1. As at 31 October 2014, the department owned 16 cars.

Question: 119 (continued)

1.a, 1.c and 1.d

The table below contains the location, cost and distance travelled of each car owned by the department from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

2. Location	4. Cost* (GST exclusive) \$	5. Distance travelled (km)
Christmas Island*	1876	3204
Coconut Island*	150	50
Darnley Island*	1486	1462
Dauan Island*	302	100
Horn Island*	2054	1869
Mabuiag Island*	302	1000
Thursday Island*	1058	1210
Thursday Island*	450	1070
Warraber Island*	822	90
Yam Island [#]	0	0
Yorke Island [#]	0	0
Badu Island [^]	324	1200
Boigu Island [^]	780	1000
Moa Island [^]	3120	5000
Murray Island [^]	1296	1990
Saibai Island [^]	620	1500

* Expenses – including fuel, lease costs, maintenance etc.

[#] No departmental staff were on the island, and the vehicle was not used.

[^] Purchase Cost plus expenses—including fuel, maintenance etc.

1.b. The cars were used for general operational use, including compliance activities, general administration and transport of personnel and minor freight.

Question: 119 (continued)

2. As at 31 October 2014, the department leased 432 cars.

2.a and 2.c

The table below contains the location and cost of each car leased by the department from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

7. Location	9. Cost[#] (GST exclusive) \$	Total Vehicles
ACT	115 222	21
Central East Region	459 732	84
North East Region	328 915	81
Northern Region	117 991	25
South West Region	423 576	103
South East Region	394 452	118

[#] Expenses – including fuel, lease costs, maintenance, etc.

2.b The cars were used for general operational use, including compliance activities, general administration and transport of personnel and minor freight.

2.d Kilometres travelled have not been recorded for the period 2 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. As at 31 October 2014, AFMA owned two cars.

1.a, 1.c and 1.d

The table below contains the location, cost and distance travelled of all cars owned by AFMA from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

2. Location	4. Cost* (GST exclusive) \$	5. Distance travelled (km)
Thursday Island	438	1064
Thursday Island	1876	1515

1.b The vehicles were utilised for general operational purposes, including compliance activities, attending meetings and minor freight.

2. As at 31 October 2014, AFMA leased three cars.

Question: 119 (continued)

2.a, 2.c and 2.d

The table below contains the location, cost and distance travelled of all cars leased by AFMA from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

7. Location	9. Cost* (GST exclusive) \$	10. Distance travelled (km)
Darwin	5171	2808
Darwin	4687	4427
Canberra	2852	811

* Expenses – including fuel, lease costs & maintenance etc

2.b The Darwin vehicles were utilised for general operational purposes, including compliance activities, attending meetings and minor freight. The Canberra vehicle is for general administration use.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

1. As at 31 October 2014, CRDC owned no cars.

1.a – 1.d Not applicable.

2. As at 31 October 2014, CRDC leased seven cars.

2.a, 2.c and 2.d

The table below contains the location, cost and distance travelled of all cars leased by CRDC from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

7. Location	9. Cost* (GST exclusive) \$	10. Distance travelled (km)
Narrabri	9118	12 064
Narrabri	13 645	18 551
Narrabri	10 234	9725
Narrabri	12 915	18 266
Narrabri	8071	12 422
Emerald	13 172	20 806
Toowoomba	8698	13 395

*Expenses – including fuel, lease costs & maintenance etc

2.b Four corporate cars are used for travel to meetings in regional centres and three salary sacrificed cars are used for managers and are also used for corporate travel.

Question: 119 (continued)

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

1. As at 31st October 2014, GRDC owned no cars.

1.a – 1.d Not applicable.

2. As at 31 October 2014, the GRDC leased three cars.

2.a, 2.c and 2.d

The table below contains the location, cost and distance travelled of all cars leased by GRDC from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

7. Location	9. Cost* (GST exclusive) \$	10. Distance travelled (km)
Car 1 (NSW)	9823	11 137
Car 2 (WA)	10 214	8577
Car 3 (NSW)	10 277	8245

2.b The cars are used for travel to meetings and conferences in regional centres or meetings with research partners, grower and panel events, field days and grower industry forums.

The following agencies did not own cars during the period 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014:

- Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority
- Cotton Research and Development Corporation
- Fisheries Research and Development Corporation
- Grains Research and Development Corporation
- Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation
- Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation
- Wine Australia Corporation

The following agencies did not lease cars during the period 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014:

- Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority
- Fisheries Research and Development Corporation
- Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation
- Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation
- Wine Australia Corporation

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 120

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Taxi Costs

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department.
2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?
3. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?

Answer:

1. From 1 June 2014 to 31 Oct 2014, the Department of Agriculture spent \$196 991 (GST excl) on taxi costs. The table below provides a breakdown of taxi costs by divisions:

Division/Business Group	Taxi spend (GST exclusive) \$
ABARES	8097
Agricultural Adaptation & Forestry	4805
Agricultural Policy	7995
Biosecurity Animal	10 211
Biosecurity Plant	23 312
Compliance	51 782
Executive	1691
Exports (inc Post Entry Quarantine Build)	33 492
Finance & Business Support	7204
Governance	2537
Information Services	1980
Office of the General Counsel	509
Service Delivery	30 543
Sustainability & Biosecurity Policy	6909
Trade & Market Access	5924
Total	196 991

Question: 120 (continued)

The table below provides a breakdown of taxi costs by Agriculture portfolio agencies for the period 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014:

Portfolio agencies	Taxi spend (GST exclusive) \$
Australian Fisheries Management Authority	30 621
Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Management Authority	7548
Australian Grape and Wine Authority	18 260
Cotton Research and Development Corporation	4741
Fisheries Research & Development Corporation	601
Grains Research and Development Corporation	8300
Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation	7102
Total	77 173

2. The Department of Agriculture and portfolio officials are required to travel to various locations across Australia and internationally, and taxi costs can be incurred as a result.
3. The department spent \$533 on taxis during the specified period for the minister's office.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 121

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Hire Cars

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars during the specified period? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department.
2. What are the reasons for hire car costs?
3. How much did the department spend on hire cars during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?

Answer:

1. From 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014, the Department of Agriculture spent \$216 709 (GST excl) on hire car costs. The table below provides a breakdown of hire car costs by division:

Division/Business Group	Hire Car Cost (GST exclusive) \$
ABARES	53 485
Agricultural Adaptation & Forestry	2493
Agricultural Policy	1184
Biosecurity Animal	3287
Biosecurity Plant	26 181
Compliance	25 901
Executive	210
Finance & Business Support	4523
Exports (inc Post Entry Quarantine Build)	83 657
Governance	1031
Information Services	3065
Service Delivery	8453
Sustainability & Biosecurity Policy	2206
Trade & Market Access	1033
Total	216 709

Question: 121 (continued)

The table below provides a breakdown of hire car costs by the Agriculture portfolio agencies for the period 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014:

Portfolio Agency	Hire Car Cost (GST exclusive) \$
Australian Fisheries Management Authority	16 529
Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Management Authority	1682
Australian Grape and Wine Authority	7004
Cotton Research and Development Corporation	3351
Fisheries Research and Development Corporation	2108
Grains Research and Development Corporation	20 115
Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation	3374
Total	54 163

2. The Department of Agriculture and portfolio agency officials are sometimes required to travel to various locations across Australia and internationally, and car hire costs can be incurred as a result. As an example, the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences collects survey data from farmers across Australia. The data collectors use hire cars to travel between survey points.

3. The department did not incur any costs for hire cars during the specified period for the minister's office.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 122

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Land costs

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

1. How much land (if any) does the Department/agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease?
2. Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department/agency or authority or Government Corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore land upon which Australian Defence force bases are located. Non Defence Force base land is to be included)
3. List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above.
 - a. What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)?
 - b. What is the value of the items identified in (3)?
 - c. What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)?
4. How many buildings (if any) does the Department/agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease?
5. Please list by each building owned, its name, the size of the building in terms of square metres, the location of that of that building and the latest valuation of that building, where that building is owned by the Department/agency or authority or Government corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore buildings that are situated on Australian Defence force bases. Non Defence Force base buildings are to be included).
6. In regards to any building identified in Q4, please also detail, the occupancy rate as expressed as a percentage of the building size. If occupancy is identified as less than 100%, for what is the remaining space used?

Question: 122 (continued)

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

1. The Department of Agriculture owns 13 parcels of land. The department does not lease land.
2. Details for owned land are provided in the following table. The department does not have land details for leased properties.

Description of owned land	Land value (\$)	Land area (m ²)
Commercial		
7 Industry Ave, Narromine, NSW	60 000	3606
20 Pinnacles Rd, Broken Hill, NSW	70 000	2016
26 Quarrian Rd/Bower Rd, Longreach, QLD	90 000	698
Residential		
5 Gill Rd (Lot 2275), Broome, WA	350 000	845
13 Gill Rd (Lot 2279), Broome, WA	340 000	753
11 Carlsen Way, Karratha, WA	375 000	710
1 Lady Douglas Way, Karratha, WA	375 000	705
7 Quetta Close (Lot 3), Thursday Island, QLD	360 000	967
6 Quetta Close (Lot 4), Thursday Island, QLD	370 000	972
5 Quetta Close (Lot 5), Thursday Island, QLD	370 000	840
8 Tarquin Court, Weipa QLD	140 000	976
6 Kanthin Road, Weipa, QLD	140 000	1043
30 Langley Gardens, Port Hedland WA	650 000	734

- 3a. The department is the sole occupant of all owned land and buildings.
- 3b. Details of the current assets on the owned land identified in question 2 above are provided in the following table.

Description of Owned Land and Buildings	Bldg Value (\$)	Occupancy Rate	Building Size (m ²)
Commercial			
7 Industry Avenue, Narromine, NSW		100%	100
- Warehouse and Office Building	133		
- Chemical Storage Shed	38 154		
20 Pinnacles Road, Broken Hill, NSW		100%	44
- Office Building and Improvements	13 598		
- Workshop and Sheds	61 686		
26 Quarrian Road, Longreach, QLD		100%	80
- Office and Laboratory	20 862		
-Workshop	31 543		

Question: 122 (continued)

3b. (continued)

Description of Owned Land and Buildings	Bldg Value (\$)	Occupancy Rate	Building Size (m ²)
Residential			
5 Gill Rd (Lot 2275), Broome, WA			
- House	237 629	100%	119
13 Gill Rd (Lot 2279), Broome, WA			
- House	232 333	100%	119
30 Langley Gardens, Port Hedland, WA			
- House	647 500	100%	198
11 Carlsen Way (Lot 1260), Karratha, WA			
- House	344 229	100%	115
1 Lady Douglas Way (Lot 1386), Karratha, WA			
- House	366 438	100%	120
7 Quetta Close (Lot 3), Thursday Island, QLD			
- House	213 208	100%	Not recorded
6 Quetta Close (Lot 4), Thursday Island, QLD			
- House	215 896	100%	Not recorded
5 Quetta Close (Lot 5), Thursday Island, QLD			
- House	215 896	100%	Not recorded
8 Tarquin Court, Weipa QLD			
- House	171 104	100%	243
6 Kanthin Road, Weipa, QLD			
- House	297 338	100%	Not recorded

3c. The department has a contract with a management services provider for departmental owned commercial properties. There are no ongoing contracts for owned residential properties – services are contracted on an as needs basis.

4. The department owns three commercial buildings and ten residential buildings. It leases 81 buildings.

5. Each building owned, its location, its size (where known) and its value is listed in response to question 3 above.

6. Occupancy rates for each owned building are listed in table 3 above.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. The Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) owns 3078 square metres of land but the extent of lease holdings is unknown.

Question: 122 (continued)

2. Details of land holdings owned or leased by AFMA:

Area (square metres)	Location	Valuation as at June 2013 \$	Land Holding
1149	12 Summers Street Thursday Island	350 000	Owned by AFMA
1037	18 Milman Street Thursday Island	375 000	Owned by AFMA
892	56 Summers Street Thursday Island	350 000	Owned by AFMA
Unknown	16 Victoria Place Thursday Island	Unknown	Leased by AFMA
Unknown	2/32 Hargraves Street Thursday Island*	Unknown	Leased by AFMA

*Lease cancelled on 1 October 2014. AFMA no longer occupies this property.

3. Details of current assets on land owned or leased by AFMA:

Location	Asset	Occupancy Level	Occupant	Value as at 13 June 2014 \$	Contractual arrangements
12 Summers Street Thursday Island	House	100%	AFMA staff	275 000	N/A
18 Milman Street Thursday Island	House	100%	AFMA staff	350 000	N/A
56 Summers Street Thursday Island	House	100%	AFMA staff	325 000	N/A
16 Victoria Place Thursday Island	House	100%	AFMA staff	Unknown	Lease
2/32 Hargraves Street Thursday Island*	Unit	100%	AFMA staff	Unknown	Lease

*Lease cancelled on 1 October 2014. AFMA no longer occupies this property.

4. AFMA leases two buildings, one in Canberra and one in Darwin. AFMA also owns three residential properties and leases one residential property on Thursday Island, with another property lease being cancelled on 1 October 2014. AFMA also operates and manages one building on Thursday Island on behalf of the Commonwealth at no cost to AFMA.

Question: 122 (continued)

5.

Residence	Size of Building in square metres	Location	Value as at 13 June 2014 \$	Owned by
12 Summers Street	158	Thursday Island	275 000	AFMA
18 Milman Street	232	Thursday Island	350 000	AFMA
56 Summers Street	199	Thursday Island	325 000	AFMA

6. All AFMA occupancy levels are 100 per cent.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

1. The APVMA leases one piece of land.
2. This land is situated in Symonston, ACT. The APVMA has been advised by the building manager that the block size of the land leased by the APVMA is 6111 square metres and the 2013–14 valuation is \$1 658 000.
3. APVMA's office (building) is located on this land. The APVMA is the single occupant of this building. The APVMA lease agreement is until October 2020.
4. The APVMA leases one building.
5. Not applicable (building is not owned).
6. The APVMA occupies 100 per cent of the building.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority (AGWA)

1. Not applicable.
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.
4. Wine Australia Corporation lease office space in 6 buildings.
5. Not applicable.
6. All Lease contract per square meter, are 100 per cent occupied by staff, except for the National Wine Centre which AGWA staff occupy 51 per cent. The top floor is sub-leased.

Question: 122 (continued)

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

1. Owned property of 1012 m² valued at \$180 000.
2. 1012 m², 2 Lloyd Street Narrabri NSW 2390, owned.
3. Office building (3 levels) and garage.
 - a. 100 per cent occupancy.
 - b. \$605 083.
 - c. None.
4. One owned.
5. CRDC Office, 950 m², 2 Lloyd Street Narrabri NSW 2390, \$510 000, owned.
6. CRDC occupies 100 per cent of the building.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC)

Not applicable.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

1. GRDC own land at Level 1, 40 Blackall Street, BARTON ACT
- 2.

<i>Size of land</i>	1376 sqm
<i>Location</i>	Tourism House, Level 1 40 Blackall Street, Barton
<i>Valuation as at 31 May 2014</i>	\$690 000
<i>Owned or leased</i>	Owned

3. Tourism House, Level 1, 40 Blackall Street, BARTON ACT
 - a. Refer answer to Question 6.
 - b. \$3 990 000

Question: 122 (continued)

c. Title particulars

Legal Description	Units 3 & 4, Unit Plan 731
	Block 8, Section 9, Division of Barton
Lease commencement	31 December 1991
Lease Expiry	14 June 2089
Registered Lessee	Grains Research & Development Corporation

4.

Owned	Level 1, 40 Blackall Street, BARTON ACT
Leased	Level 4, 4 National Circuit, BARTON ACT

5.

Building owned	Level 1, 40 Blackall Street, Barton ACT
Name	Tourism House
Size	1376sqm
Location	BARTON, ACT
Valuation	\$3 990 000 as at 31 May 2014

6. Until 22nd August 2014.

Owned	Level 1, 40 Blackall Street, BARTON ACT	100% occupancy
Leased	Level 4, 4 National Circuit, BARTON ACT	0% occupancy – fit out commenced 1 May 2014

Staff moved into Level 4, 4 National Circuit, Barton 26th August 2014

Owned	Level 1, 40 Blackall Street, BARTON ACT	0% occupancy. The Blackall Street property is vacant as it is waiting for sale
Leased	Level 4, 4 National Circuit, BARTON ACT	100% occupancy

Question: 122 (continued)

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)

1. RIRDC does not own or lease any land.
2. RIRDC does not own or lease any land.
3. RIRDC does not own or lease any land.
4. One part of one building is leased by RIRDC.
5. RIRDC does not own any buildings.
6. RIRDC occupies 100 per cent of the space it leases, which is approximately 10 per cent of the building. The remaining space in the building leased or owned by other organisations.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 123

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Building lease costs

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency/department?
2. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by:
 - a. Date the lease agreement is active from.
 - b. Date the lease agreement ends.
 - c. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not?
 - d. Location of the building (City and state).
 - e. Cost of the lease.
 - f. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
3. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed during the specified period. Please detail by:
 - a. Date from which the lease agreement was active.
 - b. Date the lease agreement ended.
 - c. Why was the lease not renewed?
 - d. Location of the building (City and state).
 - e. Cost of the lease.
 - f. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
4. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by:
 - a. Date the lease agreement is expected to become active.
 - b. Date the lease agreement is expected to end.
 - c. Expected location of the building (City and state).
 - d. Expected cost of the lease.
 1. Has this cost been allocated into the budget?
 - e. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.

Question: 123 (continued)

5. For each building owned or leased by the department:
- What is the current occupancy rate for the building?
 - If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.

Answer:

- Since the Budget Estimates in June 2014, the Department of Agriculture's rental budget is \$9.222 million.
- The department currently leases the following accommodation:

1(a) Start date	1(b) End date	1(d) City (Commercial)	State	1(e) Cost (rent and Outgoings YTD) \$
09 Oct 07	08 Oct 22	Canberra City 18 Marcus Clarke (2 leases)	ACT	5 690 073
09 Oct 07	08 Oct 22	Canberra City 7 London Circuit (4 Leases)	ACT	2 356 772
01 Mar 08	29 Feb 16	Fyshwick	ACT	321 093
01 Nov 11	31 Oct 21	Hume	ACT	246 457
17 Oct 13	16 Oct 16	Yarralumla	ACT	16 492
13 Jun 13	13 Jun 15	Coffs Harbour	NSW	No payment in this period
01 Jan 11	31 Dec 15	Eastern Creek	NSW	293 579
01 Jul 11	Holdover	Griffith	NSW	5198
01 May 02	Holdover	Mascot	NSW	41 118
29 Sep 13	25 Sep 19	Newcastle (Carrington)	NSW	36 228
16 Dec 10	30 Jun 15	Port Botany	NSW	11 844
28 Aug 09	27 Aug 17	Port Kembla	NSW	19 416
01 Mar 13	28 Feb 18	Rosebery	NSW	1 242 211
01 Jul 09	Holdover	Darwin	NT	22 025
01 Sep 13	31 Aug 18	Eaton – Darwin	NT	274 463
1 July 09	Holdover	Darwin Dog Kennels	NT	No cost
02 Mar 07	Holdover	Nhulunbuy	NT	No
1 July 13	31 Jan 15	Brisbane	QLD	19 438
01 Apr 12	Holdover	Bundaberg	QLD	11 826
30 Nov 09	29 Nov 14	Cairns Dog Kennels	QLD	10 908
01 Jul 00	Holdover	Cairns	QLD	No
31 Aug 09	30 Aug 17	Cairns	QLD	374 359
01 Jul 00	Holdover	Coolangatta	QLD	No
01 Jul 13	Holdover	Pinkenba	QLD	8103
01 Jan 97	Holdover	Eagle Farm	QLD	37 266
16 Feb 01	15 Feb 16	Eagle Farm	QLD	632 615
01 Jul 10	30 Jun 15	Gladstone	QLD	42 291
01 Jun 13	29 May 18	Mackay	QLD	18 942
01 Jun 13	31 May 16	Port of Brisbane	QLD	83 365

Question: 123 (continued)

1(a) Start date	1(b) End date	1(d) City (Commercial)	State	1(e) Cost (rent and Outgoings YTD) \$
1 Nov 05	Ongoing	Thursday Island	QLD	36 295
14 Jul 13	13 Jul 15	Toowoomba	QLD	23 120
01 Mar 14	28 Feb 16	Townsville	QLD	71 846
22 Oct 04	Holdover	Weipa	QLD	11 446
15 Oct 10	14 Oct 15	Adelaide	SA	7890
15 Sep 13	14 Sep 18	Adelaide	SA	403 246
09 Feb 14	08 Feb 15	Gillman	SA	1616
01 Dec 13	30 Nov 15	Port Lincoln	SA	5687
01 Jan 13	31 Dec 15	Torrens Island	SA	22 369
01 Sep 13	Holdover	Ballarat	VIC	3000
12 Mar 10	11 Mar 16	Kensington	VIC	54 555
01 Jan 12	31 Dec 16	Knoxfield	VIC	77 000
12 Apr 12	11 Apr 16	Merbein	VIC	3519
01 Jan 13	31 June 15	Nth Geelong	VIC	12 072
01 Jan 12	31 Dec 16	Port Melbourne	VIC	14 151
24 Jan 14	23 Jan 15	Portland	VIC	5532
31 Aug 13	30 Aug 15	Shepparton	VIC	4792
01 Jan 12	31 Dec 15	Spotswood	VIC	287 745
31 May 13	30 May 16	Tullamarine	VIC	594 924
06 Aug 12	05 Aug 16	Tullamarine	VIC	189 149
01 Sep 10	Holdover	Tullamarine	VIC	No cost
01 Feb 13	31 Jan 16	Hobart	TAS	15 934
01 Oct 13	30 Sep 15	Devonport	TAS	1121
11 Sep 11	Holdover	Albany	WA	9088
01 Jan 12	30 Dec 16	Belmont	WA	34 323
01 Sep 11	31 Aug 16	Broome	WA	45 345
01 Sep 08	Holdover	Broome	WA	1625
01 Feb 12	31 Jan 16	Bunbury	WA	5711
01 Apr 12	Holdover	Christmas Island	WA	2275
01 Jul 13	30 Jun 18	Fremantle Nth	WA	78 136
27 Mar 12	26 Mar 15	Karratha	WA	28 212
26 May 14	25 May 17	Geraldton	WA	10 683
14 Sep 04	13 Sep 14	Perth	WA	678 566
01 Aug 11	Holdover	Perth	WA	13 770
01 Dec 13	30 Nov 16	Port Hedland	WA	31 443

Question: 123 (continued)

1(a) Start date	1(b) End date	1(d) City (Residential)	State	1(e) Cost (rent YTD ex GST) \$
01 Jul 13	30 Jun 14	Badu Island	QLD	No payment in this period
1 May 13	30 April 14	Mabuiag Island	QLD	No payment in this period
01 Jul 13	30 Jun 14	Moa Island	QLD	No payment in this period
1 Jul 13	30 Jun 14	Warraber Island	QLD	No payment in this period
1 May 13	30 Apr 14	Iama Island	QLD	No payment in this period
14-Apr-14	13-Apr-15	Broome	WA	28 679
1-Dec-14	30-May-15	Port Hedland	WA	78 000
20-Jan-14	19-Jan-15	Port Hedland	WA	135 200
20-Aug-14	19-Feb-15	Port Hedland	WA	130 000
7-Apr-14	6-Apr-15	Karratha	WA	65 000
5-Dec-14	4-Dec-15	Karratha	WA	75 400
1-Jul-14	31-Dec-14	Karratha	WA	67 600
5-Dec-14	4-Dec-15	Geralton	WA	22 360
13-Jun-14	12-Jun-15	Geralton	WA	25 740
5-Sep-14	4-Sep-15	Esperance	WA	17 160
1-Jun-14	28-Feb-15	Thursday Island	QLD	57 396

- c. The department reviews leases on an as required basis and in accordance with its accommodation needs.
- f. The operations of the department are outlined in its Annual Report. The accommodation supports staff working in places as varied as offices, airports, mail centres, shipping ports, laboratories and abattoirs; located in regional centres, rural communities, capital cities and Torres Strait.

3. Since the Budget Estimates in June, 2014 the department has exited the following accommodation.

2(a) Start date	2(b) End date	2(c) Why not renewed	2(d) City and State	2 (e) Cost Estimate (rent p.a. ex GST) \$
1 Feb 14	30 June 14	Not required	Narrabri	0
1 Jan 12	30 June 14	Not required	Byford	0
14-Aug-13	13-Aug-14	Not Required	Karratha, W.A.	80 600
1 Apr 14	20 Oct 14	Not required	Sherwood	8 745
26-Nov-13	25-Nov-14	Not required	Port Hedland WA	119 960
1 Dec 13	30 Nov 14	Not required	Sydney Markets	3 906

Question: 123 (continued)

- f. The operations of the department are outlined in its Annual Report. The accommodation supports staff working in places as varied as offices, airports, mail centres, shipping ports, laboratories and abattoirs; located in regional centres, rural communities, capital cities and Torres Strait.

4. The department is expecting to lease the following new buildings in the next twelve months:

3(a) Expected start date	3(b) Expected end date	3(c) City and State	3(d) Expected Cost (rent and outgoings p.a. ex GST) \$
Jan 15	Dec 2017	Esperance WA	26 026

- d. See above table.
- 1 The estimated cost has been allocated in the budget but the department undertakes a market search for all new accommodation to ensure that the operational needs are met and a value for money accommodation solution is achieved.

- e. The operations of the department are outlined in its Annual Report. The accommodation supports staff working in places as varied as offices, airports, mail centres, shipping ports, laboratories and abattoirs; located in regional centres, rural communities, capital cities and Torres Strait.

5. The department does not record information in relation to occupancy rates across all leased sites at the requested level of detail. The department has a 100 per cent occupancy rate across its owned buildings. The department sub-leases office space to other Commonwealth and State departments in Sydney, Perth, and Geelong and to a commercial vendor in Canberra.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. See table.
2. See table.
- a. See table.
- b. See table.
- c. Yes.
- d. See table.
- e. See table.

Question: 123 (continued)

f. The Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) is the Australian Government agency responsible for the efficient management and sustainable use of Commonwealth fish resources on behalf of the Australian community. The type of work undertaken at the Canberra, Darwin and Thursday Island offices is primarily administrative along with a component of operational activities. The Canberra office supports AFMA in the delivery of its functions by facilitating access to key partners, the Department for Agriculture, Department of the Environment, the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation, Border Protection Command, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries. The Darwin office is mainly focused on compliance work and in particular the detection and deterrence of illegal foreign fishing in Australia's northern waters. Similarly the Thursday Island office has a northern compliance role in addition to the delivery of functions under the Protected Zone Joint Authority with jurisdiction over waters in the Torres Strait.

Location	Lease active	Lease end	Rent 28 May – 30 November 2014	2014-2015 Budget
			\$	\$
73 Northbourne Ave Canberra, ACT*	1 January 2007	31 December 2018	475 725.36	1 936 202.37
22 Mitchell St Darwin, NT**	1 November 2006	31 October 2015	131 637.60	524 126.08
Pearls Building Thursday Island, QLD***	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
16 Victoria Parade Thursday Island, QLD	Month to month	Month to month	10 400.00	41 600.00
2/32 Hargraves Street Thursday Island****	1 September 2013	1 October 2014	9750.00	39 000.00

* AFMA sublease 1 (one) floor with revenue of \$466 728.90 per annum.

** Rent includes cleaning and security services.

*** Thursday Island is operated and managed by AFMA on behalf of the Commonwealth at no cost to AFMA.

****Lease cancelled as of 1 October 2014.

3. AFMA did not renew the lease of the residence at 2/32 Hargraves Street (see table above)

a. 1 September 2013

b. 1 October 2014

Question: 123 (continued)

- c. Staff member transferred to an interstate AFMA office and the residential property was deemed excess.
 - d. Thursday Island, Queensland.
 - e. \$9750.00
 - f. Residence for staff.
4. The Darwin lease will be expiring on 31 October 2015.
- a. Not known at this time.
 - b. Not known at this time.
 - c. Darwin, Northern Territory.
 - d. Not known at this time.
 - e. Not known at this time - the cost will be allocated in the budget for FY2015-16.
- 5.
- a. 100 per cent.
 - b. Not applicable.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

1. For the period 1 June 2014–31 October 2014 the APVMA's total building lease costs were \$572 500 (inc GST)
2. The APVMA leases one building:
 - a. Lease agreement was active from 26 October 2006
 - b. Lease agreement ends 26 October 2020
 - c. Given the significant length of time until the lease agreement ends, there are no expectations whether the lease will be renewed or not.
 - d. Symonston, ACT
 - e. The cost of the lease from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014 was \$572 500 (inc GST)
 - f. This building is the APVMA office.
3. There were no building leases that were not renewed during the period 1 June 2014–31 October 2014.

Question: 123 (continued)

4. No buildings (except for the APVMA's office building referred to in 2 above) are expected to be leased in the next 12 months.
5. The APVMA occupies 100 per cent of the building.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority (AGWA)

1. Total costs up until the end of October is \$263 445 AUD excl GST.
2. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by:
 1. Adelaide, Australia
 - a. Lease active from 1 April 2011
 - b. Lease ends 31 March 2016
 - c. Expect to renew
 - d. Location is Industry House, NWC, Cnr Botanic & Hackney Roads, Adelaide SA 5000
 - e. Cost for rent and outgoings is \$504 420 AUD p.a. incl GST and has an increase of 1.8 per cent p.a. Cost to October 2014 is \$168 053 AUD
 - f. The building is for our head office operations
 2. Sydney, Australia
 - a. Lease active from 01 July 2013
 - b. Lease ends 30 June 2016
 - c. Lease expected to be renewed
 - d. Location is 28th Floor, 420 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000
 - e. Cost is \$78 140 incl gst AUD p.a. and has an increase of 4 per cent Cost to October 2014 is \$24 400 AUD
 - f. The building is for our marketing operations within that region
 3. Washington DC, United States
 - a. Lease active from 01 October 2014
 - b. Lease ends 30 September 2015
 - c. Lease expected to be renewed
 - d. Location is 2300 M Street, NW, Suite 800, Washington DC, 20037, USA
 - e. Cost is \$59 520.00 USD dollars p.a. Cost to October 2014 is \$14 150 AUD

Question: 123 (continued)

- f. The building is for our marketing operations within that region
- 4. Toronto, Canada
 - a. Lease active from 01 October 2014
 - b. Lease ends 30 September 2015
 - c. Lease expected to be renewed
 - d. Location is TD Canada Trust Tower, 161 Bay Street, 27th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2S1, CANADA
 - e. Cost is \$4500.00 Canadian Dollars p.a. Cost to October 2014 is \$1440 AUD
 - f. The building is for our marketing operations within that region
- 5. London, England
 - a. Lease active from 07 January 2013
 - b. Lease ends 30 June 2015
 - c. not expected to be renewed. Expect to be moving office location.
 - d. Location is Australian Centre Strand, London, WC2B 4LG, UNITED KINGDOM
 - e. Cost is £53 055 Great British Pounds. Cost to October 2014 is \$46 820 AUD
 - f. The building is for our marketing operations within that region
- 6. Shanghai, China
 - a. Lease active from 01 July 2013
 - b. Lease ends 30 June 2016
 - c. Lease expected to be renewed
 - d. Location is Suite 5205, Wheelock Square, 1717 West Nanjing Road Shanghai, 200040, P.R.China
 - e. Cost is \$91 984 AUD incl gst p.a. Cost to October 2014 is \$28 195
 - f. The building is for our marketing operations within that region
- 3. Not applicable.
- 4. Not applicable.
- 5. All 100 per cent, besides the national wine centre in Adelaide. AGWA staff occupies 51 per cent of the leased space. The remaining space is sub-leased.

Question: 123 (continued)

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

CRDC does not lease any buildings.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC)

1. From June to 20 November 2014 – Total cost \$59 761
2. Current lease
 - a. 1 August 2013
 - b. 31 July 2016
 - c. Expect to renew
 - d. 25 Geils Court Deakin ACT 2600
 - e. \$59 761 (June, July, August, Sept, Oct, Nov rental)
 - f. To carry out the activities of FRDC
3. Nil.
4. Nil.
5. Not applicable.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

1. \$424 334
2.
 - a. GRDC signed the lease agreement on 18 December 2013 which became active on 1 May 2014.
 - b. 30 April 2024
 - c. 4 year extension option removes 'make good'
 - d. Level 4, Eats Building, 4 National Circuit, Barton, ACT, 2600
 - e. \$10 184 015
 - f. Primary, central office for GRDC
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.
5. a. Owned Property: Level 1, 40 Blackall St, Barton, ACT, 2600. Occupancy NIL

Question: 123 (continued)

Leased property: Level 4, East Building, 4 National Circuit, Barton, ACT, 2600. Occupancy 100 per cent

b. Owned property: property currently for sale

Leased property: Not applicable

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)

1. \$163 650 (six months).

2.

a. 1 October 2010

b. 30 September 2015

c. No, there is no option to renew

d. Canberra, ACT

e. \$327 297 per annum

f. Provides office accommodation for all RIRDC employees.

3. Not applicable.

4. None planned.

5. 100 per cent.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 124

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Departmental upgrades

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities?
 - a. If so, list these
 - b. If so, list the total cost for these changes
 - c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
 - d. If so, who conducted the works?
 - e. If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works
 - f. If so, when are the works expected to be completed?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

1. Yes.

a) List	b) & c) Itemised Cost	d) Who	e) Process	f) Works completed
Brisbane Regional Office Refurbishment	1 - Project Manager and Technical Experts \$400 000 2 - Construction Manager \$600 000 3 - Furniture \$240 000 4 - IT \$365 000 TOTAL : \$1 605 000	Formula (Managed by Department of Agriculture)	Request for Tender	Sep. 2014

Perth Airport Relocation	1 - Project Manager and Technical Experts \$170 000 2 - Security \$200 000 3 - Furniture \$93 000 4 - IT \$90 000 TOTAL : \$553 000	Broad (Managed by Perth Airport)	Airport engaged the construction manager	July 2014
Darwin Airport Relocation	1 - Project Manager and Technical Experts \$77 000 2 - Security \$50 000 3 - Furniture \$45 000 4 - IT \$110 000 TOTAL :\$282 000	Watpac (Managed by Darwin Airport)	Airport engaged the construction manager	Oct. 2014

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. None.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

1. Yes.

a) List	b) & c) Itemised Cost	d) Who	e) Process	f) Works Completed
Head Office, Symonston ACT	1 – Fit out \$28 021 (incl. GST)	Acacia Group	Direct source	June 2014

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

None.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

None.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

1. Yes.

a) List	b) & c) Itemised Cost	d) Who	e) Process	f) Works Completed
Level 4, 4 National Circuit, Barton ACT	1- Project management \$70 070 2- Construction \$119 740 3- trade/services \$2 966 993 4-Furniture \$7 392 TOTAL \$3 164 195	Point Project SMI Construction Recon Furniture	Approach to market	Aug-14

Question: 124 (continued)

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation

None.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

1. Yes.

a) List	b) & c) Itemised Cost	d) Who	e) Process	f) Works Completed
Head Office, Adelaide SA	1 – Fit out \$11 075 2-Documentation \$800 TOTAL \$11 875	Studio Tonic Mossop Constructions	Direct source	2014

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 125

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Wine Coolers / Fridges

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any new wine coolers, or wine fridges or other devices for the purpose of housing alcohol beverages, including Eskies?
 - a. If so, list these
 - b. If so, list the total cost for these items
 - c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
 - d. If so, where were these purchased
 - e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased
 - f. If so, what is the current location for these items?
 - g. If so, what is the current stocking level for each of these items?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

None.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

None.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

None.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority (AGWA)

None.

Question: 125 (continued)

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

None.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

None.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC)

None.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)

None.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

AGRICULTURE

Question: 126

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Office Plants

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any office plants?
 - a. If so, list these
 - b. If so, list the total cost for these items
 - c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
 - d. If so, where were these purchased
 - e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased
 - f. If so, what is the current location for these items?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

None.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. The Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) leases office plants for its Canberra and Darwin offices. Details of the costs and leasing arrangements are provided in the table.
 - a. AFMA leases 22 desk planters, 11 floor planters and one trough for its Canberra office; and 14 floor planters for its Darwin office.
 - b. The total cost for the period 1 June to 30 November 2014 was \$3396.08.
 - c. See table below.

Question: 126 (continued)

- d. See table below.
- e. Procurement method determined through reference to Commonwealth procurement rules.

Type	Number	Location	Total cost (per month – ex GST) \$	Leased from
Desk planters	22	73 Northbourne Ave. Canberra	210.54	Living Simply Pialligo ACT
Floor planters	9	73 Northbourne Ave. Canberra	114.93	Living Simply Pialligo ACT
Floor planters	2	73 Northbourne Ave. Canberra	38.30	Living Simply Pialligo ACT
Trough	1	73 Northbourne Ave. Canberra	31.91	Living Simply Pialligo ACT
Floor planters	14	22 Mitchell St Darwin	168.00 (Jun-Oct) 182.00 (Nov)	PJ Nursery Darwin NT

- f. Canberra and Darwin - see table above.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

1. The APVMA has leased office plants from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014. The APVMA has not purchased any office plants from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

- a. During this period the APVMA has leased one floor planter (600mm), one trough, 38 desk planters and 58 floor planters (450mm).
- b. The total cost for lease of office plants during this period was \$7242 (incl GST).
- c. The itemised cost for lease of office plants during this period is:
Floor planter (600mm) - \$246 (incl. GST)
Trough - \$112 (incl. GST)
Desk planters - \$2000 ((incl. GST)
Floor planters (450mm) - \$4884 (incl. GST)
- d. Not applicable.
- e. Not applicable.
- f. The office plants are located at the APVMA premises in Symonston, ACT.

Question: 126 (continued)

Australian Grape and Wine Authority (AGWA)

1. Yes.
 - a. Leased Office Plants in Adelaide Head office
 - b. \$3120 excl GST per annum
 - c. Its one company for all plants, so \$3120 excl gst per annum
 - d. No
 - e. N/A
 - f. Adelaide head office

Cotton Research and Development Corporation

None.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

None.

Grains Research and Development Corporation

None.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)

None.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

AGRICULTURE

Question: 127

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Office recreation facilities

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased or constructed any office recreation facilities, activities or games (including but not limited to pool tables, table tennis tables or others)?
 - a. If so, list these
 - b. If so, list the total cost for these items
 - c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
 - d. If so, where were these purchased
 - e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased
 - f. If so, what is the current location for these items?
 - g. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

The department has not purchased or leased or constructed any office recreation facilities, activities or games since Budget Estimates in June, 2014.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

None.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

None.

Question: 127 (continued)

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

None.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation

None.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

None.

Grains Research and Development Corporation

None.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation

None.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 128

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Vending Machines

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased or taken under contract any vending machine facilities?
 - a. If so, list these
 - b. If so, list the total cost for these items
 - c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
 - d. If so, where were these purchased
 - e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased
 - f. If so, what is the current location for these items?
 - g. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

None.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

None.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

None.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority (AGWA)

None.

Question: 128 (continued)

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

None.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC)

None.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

None.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)

None.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 129

Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Conditions of government contracts and agreements

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

1. Do any contracts managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticising Government policy? If so, please name each contact. When was it formed or created?
2. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?
3. Do any agreements managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations on restrictions on advocacy or criticisms of Government policy? If so, please name each agreement. When was it formed or created?
4. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?
5. For each of the contracts and agreements, are there any particular reasons, such as genuine commercial in confidence information, for this restriction?
6. Have any changes to financial or resource support to services which advocate on behalf of groups or individuals in Australian society been made? If so, which groups? What was the change?
7. Has any consultation occurred between the Department/Agency and any individuals and/or community groups about these changes? If so, what consultation process was used? Was it public? If not, why not? Are public submissions available on a website?
8. If no consultation has occurred, why not?
9. Did the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary meet with any stakeholders about changes to advocacy in their contracts and/or agreements? If so, when? Who did he/she meet with?

Question: 129 (continued)

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

1. As of 7 September 2013, no template contracts of the department contain clauses that limit or restrict advocacy or criticism of Government policy. Any contract that contains such clauses is subject to the *Not-for-profit Sector Freedom to Advocate Act 2013*, which renders such clauses void for not-for-profit entities.
2. Not applicable.
3. As of 7 September 2013, no template agreements of the department contain clauses that limit or restrict advocacy or criticism of Government policy. Any agreement that contains such clauses is subject to the *Not-for-profit Sector Freedom to Advocate Act 2013*, which renders such clauses void for not-for-profit entities.
- 4.– 9. Not applicable.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority

1. The Australian Fisheries Management Authority is not currently party to any contracts that contain any restrictions other than those put forth by the Department of Finance as best practice for agencies to undertake contracting arrangements.
- 2.– 9. Not applicable.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

1. No.
2. Not applicable.
3. No.
- 4.–5. Not applicable.
6. No.
7. – 9. Not applicable.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority

1. No, the APVMA does not have any contracts that contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticising Government policy.
2. Not applicable.

Question: 129 (continued)

3. No.
- 4.–5. Not applicable.
6. No.
- 7.–9. Not applicable.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
2. Not applicable.
3. No.
- 4.–9. Not applicable.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
2. Not applicable.
3. No.
4. Not applicable.
5. No.
- 6.-9. Not applicable.

Grain Research and Development Corporation

1. No. GRDC's standard research contracts contain acknowledgements that those contracts do not limit the Research Organisation's rights to enter into public debate or criticism of the GRDC or the Australian Government.
2. Not applicable.
3. No. GRDC's standard research contracts contain acknowledgements that those contracts do not limit the Research Organisation's rights to enter into public debate or criticism of the GRDC or the Australian Government.
4. Not applicable.
5. No. GRDC's standard research contracts contain acknowledgements that those contracts do not limit the Research Organisation's rights to enter into public debate or criticism of the GRDC or the Australian Government.

Question: 129 (continued)

6.-7. No.

8. Not applicable.

9. No.

Rural industries Research and Development Corporation

1. No.

2. Not applicable.

3. No.

4.-5. Not applicable.

6. No.

7.-9. Not applicable.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 130

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Prequalified, multi-use list tenders

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

1. Does the Department/Agency have existing Prequalified or Multi-use list panels for tenders?
2. Please list all Prequalified or Multi-use list panels, and the firms on them, compiled or used by the department/agency?
3. Do any of your EL or higher staff have interest- financial or otherwise - in any of the firms on your panels?
4. Do any Ministerial staff have directorships in any of the firms on your panels?
5. Do any Ministerial staff have interest- financial or otherwise- in any of the firms on your panel
6. Have the minister or ministerial staff made representations concerning the panels
7. Is Australian Public Affairs on any of your panels?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

No.

The department uses the Attorney-General's Department Legal Services Multi-Use List for the procurement of legal services. Details of the list and the pre-qualified firms on the list are available at www.ag.gov.au.

There is no record on the department's Register of Declarations of staff having an interest in any firm on the Legal Services Multi-Use List.

4. to 6 Not applicable.

No.

Question: 130 (continued)

Australian Fisheries Management Authority

1. No.
2. to 7 Not applicable.

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

1. No.
2. to 7 Not applicable.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

1. Yes, the APVMA has a multi-use panel of external scientific reviewers. The panel services 11 scientific disciplines.
2. The names of the individuals or firms on the panel of external scientific reviewers are:
 - Andrew Bishop
 - Atech Group Pty Ltd
 - Australian Environmental Agency Pty Ltd
 - AusVet Animal Health Services Pty Ltd
 - Bartcrofts Scientific Services Pty Ltd
 - Calamia Enterprises Pty Ltd
 - Catwhisker Communications Pty Ltd
 - Dr Charlma Liliane Phillips
 - David Bell & Associates PTY LTD
 - E2P Consulting Pty Ltd
 - Environmental Risk Sciences Pty Ltd
 - Golder Associates Pty Ltd
 - Hg Consulting
 - Ian Smith Horticulture
 - Dempsey Toxicology And Risk Assessment Pty Ltd
 - Dr Jillian Margaret Hinch

Question: 130 (continued)

- Joan Lloyd Consulting Pty Ltd
 - Kaicalm Pty Ltd
 - Katie Asplin
 - Labtec Limited
 - M Buckley & P Domeney
 - The Mackinnon Project
 - Mal Arney
 - Dr Margaret M Doherty
 - Martin Horwood
 - Mary Darvall Barton
 - MFA Consulting
 - Michelle Peters
 - J&N Sangster
 - Paul Christian Mills
 - Claxton Consulting
 - Quality Matters Safety Matters Pty Ltd
 - Richard Alan Vickers
 - Roger Garnsey Agronomy
 - Dr Roger Meischke Pty Ltd
 - Scitox Assessment Services
 - Toxconsult Pty Ltd
 - Toxnous Pty Ltd
 - Ultimate Efficacy Consulting Pty Ltd
 - University Of Canberra
 - William Hall and Associates
3. No APVMA EL or higher staff have an interest in any of the firms.
 4. The APVMA is not aware of any interests in these firms by ministerial staff.
 5. The APVMA is not aware of any interests in these firms by ministerial staff.

Question: 130 (continued)

6. There have not been any representations made by the minister or ministerial staff concerning the panel.
7. No, Australian Public Affairs is not on the panel.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
2. to 7 Not applicable.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
2. to 7. Not applicable.

Grains Research and Development Corporation

1. Yes.
2. GRDC uses the mandatory Commonwealth Legal Services Multi-Use List (LSMUL) for procurement of legal services. The LSMUL is managed by the Attorney-General's Department and contains over 100 firms as listed at www.ag.gov.au
3. No.
4. Not aware.
5. Not aware.
6. No.
7. No.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
2. to 7. Not applicable.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 131

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Contracts for Temporary Staff

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or/contract staff?
2. How many temporary or contract staff were employed?
3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed?
4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?
5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

1. The department has recorded a spend of \$4.130 million on temporary/contract staff from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.
2. The provision of information on individual contracts would entail a substantial diversion of resources.
3. As at 31 October 2014 there were a total number of 75 temporary staff/contract staff contracted to the department.
4. Nil.
5. No.

Question: 131 (continued)

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

1. There was \$91 000 spent on temporary staff and contractors between 1 June, 2014 to 31 October 2014.
2. Five (5) temporary staff were contracted between 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.
3. As at 31 October 2014 there were three (3) temporary contract staff contracted to the authority.
4. Nil.
5. No.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. The Australian Fisheries Management Authority spent \$341 711.68 on contract staff during the period 28 May 2014 to 30 November 2014.
2. A total of twelve contract staff were engaged by AFMA during the period 28 May 2014 to 30 November 2014.
3. As at 30 November 2014, AFMA had a total of six contract staff.
4. Nil.
5. No.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority

1. The APVMA has spent \$1.361 million on temporary contract staff from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014. A large proportion of these staff were engaged to help build new Information Technology systems that were funded through dedicated funding provided as part of the implementation of the Better Regulation Reforms.
2. There were 27 temporary staff contracted by the APVMA between 1 June 2014 and 31 October 2014.
3. As at 31 October 2014, there were 15 temporary staff contracted to the APVMA.
4. Nil.
5. No.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation

1. Nil.
2. None.
3. None.
4. Nil.
5. No.

Question: 131 (continued)

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

1. Nil.
2. None.
3. None.
4. Nil.
5. No.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

1. GRDC has spent \$182 542.58 on temporary contract staff from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.
2. Seven temporary staff were contracted between 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.
3. As at 31 October 2014, there were seven temporary contract staff contracted to GRDC.
4. Nil.
5. The appointment of contract employees is as per the GRDC Enterprise Agreement, and there have been no changes.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation

1. Nil.
2. None.
3. None.
4. Nil.
5. No.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 132

Division/Agency: Finance and business Services Division

Topic: Disability access

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Please provide a list of all premises owned, leased or otherwise operated by the department / agency which do not yet comply with the Disability Discrimination Act (through The Disability (Access to Premises - Buildings) Standards 2010). For each, please provide:

- a. The year in which it was purchased / leased / rented (and if lease / rental agreement, when it expires).
- b. What plans are in place to make the premises compliant with the act.
- c. When these plans will commence and when they are expected to be complete.
- d. Has the minister or the minister's office been informed of these plans? Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) between the minister's office and the department regarding this issue.
- e. What is the expected cost of making the premises compliant? Please break down the costs.
- f. Have any plans to make any premises compliant been cancelled, put on hold or delayed since September 7, 2013? If yes, please detail, including the reasons for which they were cancelled, put on hold or delayed and how the decision was reached.
- g. Have any complaints been lodged with regard to the premises not being compliant? If yes, please details.

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

None.

Question: 132 (continued)

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. All premises leased, owned or rented by the Australian Fisheries Management Authority were built under approvals granted prior to 1 May 2011 and are therefore not subject to the provisions of the Disability (Access to Premises – Buildings) Standards 2010.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)

1. The APVMA's single office building in Symonston ACT complies with the Disability Discrimination Act (through The Disability (Access to Premises - Buildings) Standards 2010).

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

1. Australian based leases comply with the Disability Discrimination Act.
2. All our overseas offices comply with their local requirements.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

None.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation (CRDC)

None.

Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

None.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)

None.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 133

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Fee for services

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since September 7, 2013:

1. Have any existing services provided by the department / agency moved from being free to a user-pay service? Have any additional fees been placed on existing services? If yes please provide a list and include:
2. Name of the fee and a short description of what it covers.
3. How much is the fee (and is it a flat fee or a percentage of the service).
4. The date the fee came into place.
5. Were any reviews requested, commenced or complemented into the benefits and drawbacks of attaching the fee to the service? If yes, please detail and provide a copy of the review.
6. What consultation was carried out before the fee was put into place?
7. How was the fee put into place (e.g. through legislation, regulation changes etc)?
8. What justification is there for the fee?

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

1. No.
- 2.–8. Not applicable.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority

1. No.
- 2.–8. Not applicable.

Question: 133 (continued)

Australian Grape and Wine Authority

1. No.
- 2.–8. Not applicable.

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority

1. On 1 July 2014, in line with provisions of the *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994* (the Agvet Code), the APVMA introduced a formalised pre-application assistance process for which a fee is payable by the potential registration applicant. Assistance of this nature was previously provided by the APVMA without direct charge-back to the potential applicant.

As outlined in the APVMA's Cost Recovery Impact Statement application fees have been adjusted to reflect the long standing policy target of recovering 40 per cent of the cost of the application from the applicant whilst the remaining 60 per cent is recovered from the levy. From 1 July 2014, application fees increased to a minimum 35 per cent cost recovery from the applicant. From 1 January 2015, application fees will increase to 40 per cent cost recovery from the applicant. There is a corresponding reduction in levy charges that offset the application fee increase.

2. Pre-application assistance helps potential applicants understand how to prepare or make an application to the APVMA, for example in relation to meeting the application requirements or addressing the statutory criteria for a particular application.
3. The fee is charged on a per unit (hour) basis of \$192.50 (including GST) per unit. A minimum of two units is payable for any pre-application assistance that is provided. A rebate is then payable on any subsequent application for registration that is made, noting the maximum amount of the rebate varies depending on the nature of the subsequent application. Further information is available on the APVMA website at <http://apvma.gov.au/node/110>.
4. The pre-application assistance process and associated fee commenced on 1 July 2014.
5. There were no specific reviews undertaken in relation to the benefits and drawbacks of the pre-application assistance process being introduced into the Agvet Code.
6. The pre-application assistance process was incorporated into the Agvet Code as part of the Better Regulation Reforms which were developed through the Department of Agriculture and included extensive consultation with industry.
7. The fee for pre-application assistance is established under regulation 69B of the *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Regulations 1995*.
8. Since 1 July 2014, fees for pre-application assistance are payable by the potential applicant for registration, noting the APVMA operates as an independent statutory authority funded through cost-recovery in accordance with the agreement which established the National Registration Scheme. Prior to 1 July 2014, assistance of this nature was previously provided by the APVMA without direct charge-back to the potential applicant.

Question: 133 (continued)

Cotton Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
- 2.–8. Not applicable.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
- 2.–8. Not applicable.

Grains Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
- 2.–8. Not applicable.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation

1. No.
- 2.–8. Not applicable.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 134

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Government payments of accounts

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. What has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others?
2. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days?
3. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days?
4. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days?
5. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days?
6. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days?
7. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since Estimates, 2014?
8. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?

Question: 134 (continued)

Answer:

Department of Agriculture

From 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014, the average time period for the department to pay its accounts to contractors, consultants or others has been 15 days.

The department has paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others as per the following table:

	Time*	Number of payments	Percentage of total
2.	0-30 days	4207	85
3.	31-60 days	460	9
4.	61-90 days	173	3
5.	91-120 days	71	1
6.	over 120 days	100	2

*Based on invoice due date

7. No interest has been paid on overdue amounts since Budget Estimates in June, 2014. No payments fall within the scope of Resource Management Guide 417 (Supplier Pay On-Time or Pay Interest Policy) for the reporting period.

8. Not applicable

Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)

1. From 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014, the average time period for AFMA to pay its accounts to contractors, consultants or others has been 15.7 days.

AFMA has paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others as per the following table:

	Time*	Number of payments	Percentage of total
2.	0-30 days	1337	88
3.	31-60 days	137	9
4.	61-90 days	43	3
5.	91-120 days	nil	n/a
6.	over 120 days	nil	n/a

7. No.

8. Not applicable.

Question: 134 (continued)

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Management Authority (APVMA)

1. From 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014, the average time period for APVMA to pay its accounts to contractors, consultants or others has been 22 days.

APVMA has paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others as per the following table:

	Time*	Number of payments	Percentage of total
2.	0-30 days	81	89
3.	31-60 days	10	11
4.	61-90 days	nil	n/a
5.	91-120 days	nil	n/a
6.	over 120 days	nil	n/a

7. No interest has been paid on overdue amounts since Budget Estimates in June, 2014.

8. Not applicable.

Other Portfolio Agencies

The following entities are Corporate Commonwealth entities under the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* and are not subject to the *Pay on time or pay interest Policy*:

- Cotton Research & Development Corporation
- Fisheries Research & Development Corporation
- Grains Research & Development Corporation
- Grape and Wine Research & Development Corporation
- Rural Industries Research & Development Corporation
- Australian Grape and Wine Authority

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 135

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Grants

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. What guidelines are in place to administer grants?
2. How are grants applied for?
3. Are there any restrictions on who can apply for a grant? If yes, please detail.
 - a. Can these restrictions be waved? If yes, please detail the process for waving them and list any grants where the restrictions were waved.
4. What is the procedure for selecting who will be awarded a grant?
5. Who is involved in this selection process?
6. Does the minister or the minister's office play any role in awarding grants? If yes, please detail.
 - a. Has the minister or the minister's office exercised or attempted to exercise any influence over the awarding of any grants? If yes, please detail.
7. Provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc, one-off discretionary grants awarded to date. Provide the recipients, amount, intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those locations.
8. Update the status of each grant that was approved prior to the specified period, but did not have financial contracts in place at that time. Provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those grants.

Question: 135 (continued)

Answer:

1. The Department of Agriculture's grants administration activities are undertaken in accordance with the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (PGPA Act) and the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines (CGRGs). The department applies the requirements and the principles of the CGRGs according to the nature of the grant being administered. The department has an established grants administration framework under which all grant programmes and individual grants must operate.
2. Applicants apply for grant funding as indicated in grant programme guidelines that are published on the department's website. Ad hoc proposals received by the department are considered in accordance with the CGRGs, including approval to use a non-competitive process.
3. Each grant programme will have programme-specific eligibility criteria that determines/restricts who can apply for grant funding under that programme. In accordance with Commonwealth policy these requirements cannot be waived.
4. The procedure for selecting who will be awarded a grant is programme-specific. For a grant programme this process will be outlined in the relevant grant programme guidelines.
5. The composition of the assessment panel is programme-specific. For a grant programme the structure of the panel is generally outlined in the relevant grant programme guidelines.
6. The minister or a nominated departmental delegate may approve grant applications. For a grant programme the approval process is outlined in the relevant grant programme guidelines. Officials and ministers involved with grant decisions must act in accordance with the CGRGs and must document the basis of grant approvals.
7. A list of all grants provided by the Department of Agriculture, including ad hoc and one-off grants, is available on the department's website. www.agriculture.gov.au/about/current-grants
8. Senate standing orders require a list of grants approved to be tabled before each Senate hearing. The list tabled in October 2014 was for the reporting period 13 May 2014 to 6 October 2014. All grants approved during that period either have contracts finalised with details published on the department's website, or are yet to be reported as funding agreements are being negotiated.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 136

Division/Agency: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Consultancies

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June 2014:

1. How many consultancies have been undertaken since Budget Estimates in June, 2014? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.
3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
 - a. List each, including name, cost and purpose
 - b. If so, why?

Answer:

1. 27 consultancies valued at over \$10 000 have been undertaken between 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014. The name of the consultant, subject matter, duration, cost and the method of procurement for each consultancy is published on the AusTender website at www.tenders.gov.au. The total value of these 27 consultancies is \$3 719 143.
2. No further consultancies are planned for this calendar year.

Question: 136 (continued)

3. All consultancies are procured through a form of tender process:

- fifteen were procured via limited tendering as they were valued at less than the \$80 000 threshold that requires an open tender process
- one for legal services was procured via a prequalified tender process from the Whole of Government Legal Services multi-use list
- nine were procured from panels established via an open tender process
- one was procured through a prequalified tender process
- one was procured through an open tender process

The name of the consultant, cost and purpose for each consultancy is published on the AusTender website at www.tenders.gov.au.

Note:

For the purpose of this question consultancies are defined in accordance with Department of Finance policy and guidance advice at www.finance.gov.au.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 137

Division: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Credit Cards

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked: Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card.
2. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused?
3. Have there been any changes to how corporate credit card use is monitored?
4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so:
5. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.
6. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?
7. How many 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.

Question: 137 (continued)

Answer:

1. Employment classification of credit card holders:

Employment classification	30 April 2014	31 October 2014	Movement
APS2	8	8	-
APS3	42	37	(5)
APS4	138	93	(45)
APS5	154	150	(4)
APS6	243	229	(14)
MI2	-	1	1
MI3	-	1	1
MI4	-	3	3
EL1	340	320	(20)
EL2	314	284	(30)
SES1	60	62	2
SES2	22	19	(3)
SES3	3	2	(1)
SECRETARY	1	1	-
Grand Total	1325	1210	(115)

2. Since June 2014, there have been no changes to the action to be taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused.

3. No changes have been made to monitoring credit card usage by employees.

4. There have been two instances of misuse identified from 1 June to 31 October 2014.

5.

Classification	Instances of misuse	Action Taken
EL1	1	Both were accidental personal use with the amounts being repaid in full to the department
SES1	1	

6. No changes have been made to the action to be undertaken to prevent corporate credit card misuse.

7. No credit cards are issued to the minister or his staff.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates November 2014

Agriculture

Question: 138

Division: Finance and Business Support Division

Topic: Multiple Tenders

Proof Hansard page: Written

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times:
 - a. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times?
 - b. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issues?
 - c. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?

Answer:

1. No tenders have been re-issued or issued multiple times since Budget Estimates in June 2014.