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TOPIC: *COMET program – Business Advisers*

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QUESTION No. AI-36
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Senator CARR asked :—Do the business advisers earn a retainer of \$100,000 from the department?

Mr Peel—\$150,000.

Senator CARR—How many do you have?

Mr Peel—We have 13 or 14.

Senator CARR—Is there a list? I suppose the annual report would provide that, too, would it?

Mr Paterson—It does not. The department's annual report does not list the COMET advisers.

Mr Peel—We have 12 full time and two part time, so 13 full-time equivalents.

Senator CARR—Where would I get a list of those people? Can you provide that?

Mr Peel—We could provide that to you.

ANSWER

Commercialising Emerging Technologies (COMET) - Business Adviser List

Business Adviser	Location
Phil Chynoweth	Australian Capital Territory (ACT)/Newcastle (NSW)
Richard Dale	New South Wales
Matthew Griffiths	New South Wales
Peter Milla	New South Wales
Peter Towers	Northern Territory (NT)/North Queensland
Ian Crebbin	Queensland
Michael Murtagh	Queensland
Keith Steele	Queensland
Michael Burns	South Australia
Kim Newstead	Tasmania
Bob Beaumont	Victoria
Andrew Hall	Victoria
Jim Paulyshyn	Victoria
Akshay Bhandari	Western Australia