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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator COLBECK—That is all right. It is good to see that you are anticipating where we are going and are aware of what is happening around the place. Can you give us a schedule of the annual payments for each of those grants?

Mr Peel—I can give you a total. I cannot give it to you for each group.

Senator COLBECK—Yes. I understand that there may be some commercial-in-confidence issues in relation to that as well. I am looking for the tail on each of those.

Mr Paterson—I think Mr Peel has indicated that we can give you a total for each of those years but not broken down grant by grant over each of those years.

Senator COLBECK—As I said, I accept that there may be some commercial-in-confidence reasons for doing so. I understand that. So it is the annual figures that I am happy to get.

Mr Peel—Starting in 2010-11—is that what you are after?

Senator COLBECK—Yes, please.

Mr Peel—The total current commitments of those grants that I have mentioned—and I should say that there are some in the pipeline; I cannot count those—

Senator COLBECK—We will come to those.

Mr Peel—As at 30 April, it was: \$61,620,184 in 2010-11; \$45,493,591 in 2011-12; and \$619,499 in 2012-13.

Senator COLBECK—Six hundred and nineteen? Is that thousands? It was \$61 million, \$45 million and the last one was \$619,000?

Mr Peel—I think it is thousands. I might have to check that on notice. Hopefully someone has not left off three zeros!

Senator COLBECK—If you can advise us of that, it might help us all out and keep us all out of trouble!

ANSWER

This question has been answered in the Hansard 31 May 2010, page E81.