

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Service Providers
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Senator Johnston asked:

Senator JOHNSTON—That is not really materially quite right. We have written contracts for all of the service providers so far. In a minute I will come back to my request that I made of Dr Boxall with respect to the privacy issue that you have raised, but what other service providers do we have for our institute?

Mr Clarke—That is the total of the external contracted advice. The balance of the effort going into this process is resourced from inside the department.

Senator JOHNSTON—I am interested in the terms and conditions. I am interested in the overall remuneration, not necessarily the daily rates. Is it possible to provide the committee with copies of all of the contracts with respect to the institute whilst preserving what you perceive to be the privacy matters pertaining to the individuals concerned, as opposed to the corporations?

Dr Boxall—We will take that on notice.

Answer:

The contracts between the Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism and the CO2 Cooperative Research Centre (Dr Peter Cook), the Greenhouse Gas Storage Solutions (Dr John Bradshaw), and Minter Ellison Lawyers are attached. The specific references to matters of commercial and financial affairs, where the disclosure of which could adversely affect the business or personnel have been deleted.