

WOODSIDE ENERGY LTD
RESPONSE TO SELECT COMMITTEE INTO THE POLITICAL INFLUENCE OF
DONATIONS

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Questions on Notice

1. Provide breakdown of the \$180,000 that Woodside provided in 2012-2013 to the Liberal Party.

Answer: The breakdown of the \$180,000 to the Liberal Party included payments to the WA Division (\$61,150) and the Federal Liberal Party (\$120,000) as detailed below, and as reported to the Australian Electoral Commission. The \$110,000 payment relates to the membership fee for the Australian Business Network. Similarly, Woodside subscribed to the Federal Labor Business Forum (\$110,000) and payment to the WA Branch of the Labor Party (\$50,000).

Name	Address	Date	Value
Australian Labor Party (ALP)	PO Box 6222 KINGSTON ACT 2604	05 Apr 2013	\$110,000.00
Australian Labor Party (Western Australian Branch)	PO Box 8117 PERTH BUSINESS CENTRE WA 6849	08 Feb 2013	\$50,000.00
Liberal Party (W.A. Division) Inc.	PO Box 49 WEST PERTH WA 6872	27 Nov 2012	\$50,000.00
Liberal Party (W.A. Division) Inc.	PO Box 49 WEST PERTH WA 6872	20 Jul 2012	\$11,150.00
Liberal Party of Australia	PO Box 6004 KINGSTON ACT 2604	15 May 2013	\$10,000.00
Liberal Party of Australia	PO Box 6004 KINGSTON ACT 2604	05 Apr 2013	\$110,000.00
National Party of Australia	PO Box 6190 KINGSTON ACT 2604	23 Aug 2012	\$5,940.00
National Party of Australia (WA) Inc	PO Box 1418 WEST PERTH WA 6872	10 Jan 2013	\$25,000.00
National Party of Australia (WA) Inc	PO Box 1418 WEST PERTH WA 6872	19 Jul 2012	\$2,000.00

2. Provide details on any donations to (i) Labor Holdings and (ii) any other associated entities.

Answer: To the best of its knowledge Woodside has not made any payments directly to associated entities (such as Labor Holdings). As reported by Woodside to the AEC, any donations or payments which Woodside has made has been to political parties (for example, the Liberal Party or National Party or the Labor Party) at State and/or Federal levels. Woodside is not privy to how these political parties remit or account for payments received from Woodside, including whether any amounts are remitted by political parties to associated entities.

3. What are the number/type of events included in the memberships to the two major party business forums to which Woodside subscribes?

Answer: (a) Woodside subscription to the Australian Business Network provides the following:

Liberal Party – Australian Business Network 2017

Event	Platinum
Federal Parliamentary Briefings	2 places
- VIC & TAS MPs	2 places
- NSW MPs	2 places
- WA & SA MPs	2 places
- QLD & NT MPs	2 places
Boardroom Policy Forums	
- Health & Ageing	2 places
- Treasury	2 places
- Finance	2 places
- Revenue & Financial Services	2 places
- Environment & Energy	2 places
- Trade & Investment	2 places
- Education & Training	2 places
- Industry & Innovation	2 places
- Communications & the Arts	2 places
Budget Night Dinner, Canberra 2017	2 places
The Prime Minister’s Networking Dinners	
- The Prime Minister’s Dinner/s	2 places at 2

Answer: (b) Woodside subscription to the Federal Labor Business Forum (FLBF) provides the following:

Labor Party – Federal Labor Business Forum (FLBF) 2017

Woodside Energy Ltd's membership package includes:

- **Policy Briefing Sessions** – Two (2) Policy Briefing sessions, designed to address achievements, issues and challenges in key portfolio areas.
- **Leader Events** – tickets to Leader events in Perth.
- **Federal Budget Reply Dinner 2017** – Four (4) tickets on an opt-in basis
- **Federal Labor Business Exchange Program 2017** – Two (2) tickets to the Federal Labor Business Exchange program, a two-day conference with Shadow Federal Ministers, to be held in Sydney in 2017. The program provides delegates with a unique opportunity to receive briefings on major policy areas, and to network with Federal Shadow Ministers.
- **End of Year Drinks with the Leader of the Opposition** – Five (5) tickets on an opt-in basis
- **Federal Labor Business Forum Program** – Tickets to Boardroom events with Federal Shadow Ministers Australia-wide as they arise (Woodside will be informed as events are announced, and can opt-in as part of this package).

Policy Briefing sessions are a chance to interact with Shadow Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in portfolios relevant to your industry. Membership to the Federal Labor Business Forum is intended to complement your organisation's regular contact with the Shadow Ministry and the Australian Labor Party.

4. Is membership to the Forums tax deductible?

Answer: For the year to 30 June 2016, Woodside paid \$110,000 each for membership of the federal business network forums and annual subscriptions to the Australian Labor Party (ALP) and Liberal Party of Australia (LPA). Woodside spent an additional \$30,480 attending conferences and other business events associated with political parties (see details below Q5). These payments were treated as non-deductible for income tax purposes.

5. Woodside payments for 2015-16.

Name	Address	Date	Value
Australian Labor Party (ALP)	PO Box 6222 KINGSTON ACT 2604	04 Mar 2016	\$110,000.00
Australian Labor Party (Western Australian Branch)	PO Box 8117 PERTH BUSINESS CENTRE WA 6849	28 Aug 2015	\$12,000.00
Australian Labor Party (Western Australian Branch)	PO Box 8117 PERTH BUSINESS CENTRE WA 6849	01 Dec 2015	\$1,500.00
Liberal Party (W.A. Division) Inc	PO Box 49 WEST PERTH WA 6872	03 Dec 2015	\$15,000.00
Liberal Party (W.A. Division) Inc	PO Box 49 WEST PERTH WA 6872	01 Dec 2015	\$660.00
Liberal Party (W.A. Division) Inc	PO Box 49 WEST PERTH WA 6872	24 Mar 2016	\$660.00
Liberal Party (W.A. Division) Inc	PO Box 49 WEST PERTH WA 6872	08 Jun 2016	\$660.00
Liberal Party of Australia	PO Box 6004 KINGSTON ACT 2604	29 Mar 2016	\$110,000.00