

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Additional Estimates Hearings February 2014

Communications Portfolio

Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency

Question No: 415

Program No. Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency (TUSMA)

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Meeting costs

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
2. 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.

Answer:

1. Since November 2013, TUSMA has held four Board Meetings. Details are as follows for catering

| Meeting No. | Member Meeting Date | Location | Meeting Costs (GST inclusive) |
|-------------|---------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| 14. | 29 November 2013 | Sydney | \$172.50 |
| 15. | 31 January 2014 | Melbourne | Incidentals |
| 16. | 27 February 2014 | Melbourne | Incidentals |
| 17. | 28 March 2014 | Melbourne | \$252.92 |
| TOTAL | | | \$425.42 |

2. TUSMA anticipates that there will be costs incurred for the TUSMA Board Meetings which are held monthly. The costs will vary as it is dependent on the location and number of people in attendance.