

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

**Additional Estimates Hearings February 2016**

**Communications Portfolio**

**Special Broadcasting Service**

**Question No: 175(c)**

**Special Broadcasting Service**

**Hansard Ref: Written, 19/02/2016**

**Topic: Credit Cards**

**Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:**

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card.
2. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused?
3. Have there been any changes to how corporate credit card use is monitored?
4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so:
5. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.
6. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?
7. How many credit cards available to the Minister or their office? If so, please list by classification. Have there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? Has any action been taken against the Minister or their office for credit card misuse? If so, list each occurrence, including the cost of the misuse.

**Answer:**

1. Nil. SBS is not an Australian Public Service agency and does not use the Australian Public Service employment classifications.
2. No changes to action taken as there has been no misuse of a Corporate Credit Card.
3. No change - Credit card statements continue to be acquitted and approved by the relevant financial delegate on a monthly basis.
4. No instances.
5. Not applicable.
6. No change - all staff issued with credit cards are required to acknowledge the conditions of use on receipt of the card. Credit card statements are acquitted and approved by the relevant financial delegate on a monthly basis.
7. Not applicable.