Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice Additional Estimates Hearings February 2016 Communications Portfolio Creative Partnerships Australia

Question No: 188(j)

Creative Partnerships Australia Hansard Ref: Written, 19/02/2016

Topic: Meeting costs

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

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

- 1. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
- 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.
- 3. 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.
- 4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer:

- 1. Creative Partnerships spent \$642 on Meetings Costs between 14 Sep and 29 Feb. To attempt to provide the level of detail regarding each meeting, location, purpose and food and beverage costs as requested would involve an unreasonable diversion of agency resources.
- 2. Creative Partnerships has not spent funds on Meeting costs for Ministers or parliamentary Secretary offices.
- 3. Creative Partnerships' forecasts the total spend on Meeting costs for the 2015/16 Financial Year will be \$2600. To attempt to provide the level of detail regarding each forecast meeting, location, purpose and food and beverage costs as requested would involve an unreasonable diversion of agency resources.
- 4. Creative Partnerships does not forecast spending on Meeting costs for Ministers or parliamentary Secretary offices this financial year.