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Legislation Committee
Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio

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Senator Ludwig asked:

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

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Please provide a list of channels and the reason for each channel.
 - b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
 - b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
 - b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
 - a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.
 - b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?

Answer:

Department of the Environment (the Department)

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) The Department subscribes to the following pay TV packages to assist with identifying and tracking relevant issues which may impact key stakeholders. These include:
 - Foxtel Business Premium Package.
 - b) \$1315 (GST inclusive).
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
2. What newspaper subscriptions does the department/agency have?
 - a) The Department subscribes to the following newspapers to assist with identifying and tracking relevant issues which may impact key stakeholders. These include:
 - The Australian
 - The Australian (online subscription)
 - The Australian Financial Review
 - Canberra Times
 - CCH Parliament – Political Alerts (monitoring service)
 - Crikey Daily Mail (online subscription).
 - b) \$3113.60 (GST Inclusive).
 - c)
 - Adelaide Advertiser
 - The Age
 - The Australian
 - Courier Mail
 - Canberra Times
 - Financial Review
 - Hobart Mercury
 - Melbourne Herald Sun
 - Sydney Morning Herald
 - Daily Telegraph
 - West Australian.
 - d) \$4660.50 (GST inclusive).
3. What magazine subscriptions does the department/agency have?
 - a) The Department subscribes to the following specialist magazines to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Department and issues that impact key stakeholders or allow researchers and policy advisers to undertake their work. These include:
 - Aquatic Conservation : Marine & Freshwater Ecosystems

- Archaeology in Oceania
- Austral Ecology
- Australasian Journal of Environmental Management
- Australian Historical Studies
- Australian Journal of Public Administration
- Australian Journal of Zoology
- Australian Planner
- Biological Conservation
- Bioscience
- Conservation Biology
- Ecotoxicology & Environmental Safety
- EMU - Official Organ of the Australasian Ornithologists Union
- Environmental Conservation
- Environmental Impact Assessment Review
- Environmental Policy and Law
- Environmental Toxicology
- Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry
- Global Environmental Politics
- Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal
- International Journal of Heritage Studies
- Journal of Environmental Planning & Management
- Journal of Industrial Ecology
- Journal of International Wildlife Law and Policy
- Journal of the Air & Waste Management Association
- Marine & Freshwater Research
- Marine Mammal Science
- Marine Policy
- Marine Pollution Bulletin
- Ocean & Coastal Management
- Outlooks on Pest Management
- Quarterly Essay
- Rangeland Journal
- ScienceDirect Journal package
- Wildlife Research
- AIRAH Membership
- Australasian Science
- Australian Geographic
- Australian Geographic Outdoor

- Australian Journal of Maritime & Ocean Affairs
- Australian Marine Science Association membership
- Aviation, Space & Environmental Medicine
- Choice magazine
- Desktop
- Emu
- Geographical Magazine
- Journal of Plankton Research
- National Geographic
- New Scientist (Australian Edition)
- Ornithological Society of New Zealand
- Popular Mechanics
- Position Magazine
- Print Magazine
- Rock and Ice
- Silicon Chip
- WME (Waste Management Environment)
- Nature journals online
- Science Express online
- Annals of Glaciology
- Antarctic
- Antarctic Science
- Aquatic Microbial Ecology
- Arctic Antarctic & Alpine Research : an Interdisciplinary Journal
- Arctic Institute of North America Membership
- Ardea
- AUK : Ornithological Advances
- Crisis Response Journal
- Ecological Management & Restoration
- Fish and Fisheries
- Geophysical Research Letters
- Ibis – England
- Ice – England
- Journal of Business Continuity & Emergency Planning
- Journal of Geophysical Research
- Journal of Glaciology
- Journal of Mammalogy
- Limnology & Oceanography and Limnology & Oceanography Bulletin Package

- Marine Ecology Progress Series
 - Marine Mammal Science
 - Marine Ornithology
 - Polar Geography
 - Polar Journal – England
 - Polar Record
 - Polar Times
 - Reviews of Geophysics
 - Scientific American
 - Annals of the ICRP
 - Freshwater Science
 - Zootaxa (annual subscription not paid during this period)
 - Australian Systematic Botany (annual subscription not paid during this period)
- b) \$94,339.01 (GST inclusive).
- c) CCH Parliament – Political Alert.
- d) \$10,219 (GST inclusive).
4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
- a) The Department purchased the following specialist publications to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Department of the Environment and issues that impact key stakeholders or allow researchers and policy advisers to undertake their work. These include:
- Adaptation and evolution in marine environments : Volume 2 : the impacts of global change on biodiversity
 - Marine wildlife King George Island Antarctica : identification guide
 - Antarctic lakes
 - Epidemiology
 - Migration : the biology of life on the move
 - Pentothal postcards
 - International medical guide for ships
 - Manual of rural practice
 - Two below zero: a year alone in Antarctica
 - Invasive species
 - ASTM International: Landscape Ecology and wildlife habitat evaluation
 - Q. Zou, L. Ni, T. Zhang and Q. Wang, "Deep Learning Based Feature Selection for Remote Sensing Scene Classification," in *IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters*, vol. 12, no. 11, pp. 2321-2325, Nov. 2015.
 - M. Chellasamy, T. P. A. Ferré and M. H. Greve, "An Ensemble-Based Training Data Refinement for Automatic Crop Discrimination Using WorldView-2 Imagery," in *IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Applied Earth Observations and Remote Sensing*, vol. 8, no. 10, pp. 4882-4894, Oct. 2015.

- A. Sedaghat and H. Ebadi, "Remote Sensing Image Matching Based on Adaptive Binning SIFT Descriptor," in *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*, vol. 53, no. 10, pp. 5283-5293, Oct. 2015.
 - *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* – Vol. 1 (14 copies)
 - *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* – Vol. 2 (14 copies)
 - Sorption and Leaching Behaviour of Perfluorinated Compounds in Soil
 - Australian Government Style Manual
- b) \$2748.43 (GST inclusive)
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.

Bureau of Meteorology

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) The Bureau subscribes to a range of Foxtel and Austar PayTV packages for situational awareness during extreme weather events. In two very remote locations, Giles Meteorological Office and Willis Island Meteorological Office, it subscribes to packages offering entertainment channels, as well as news and weather channels, for entertainment for off-duty staff. These include:
 - Foxtel Business Package
 - Bureau National Operations Centre, Media Team and Information Systems and Services Division.
 - Foxtel Standard Package
 - Giles Meteorological Office (remote location).
 - West Australian Forecasting Centre (cancelled as at 23 September 2015).
 - Austar.
 - Willis Island Meteorological Office (remote location).
 - b) \$720 per month (GST inclusive).
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
2. What newspaper subscriptions does the department/agency have?
 - a) The Bureau of Meteorology subscribes to the following newspapers for situational weather, warnings and other operational events as reported through media channels. These include:
 - The Age
 - The Australian
 - The Australian Financial Review
 - The Herald Sun
 - NT News
 - Townsville Bulletin

- The West Australian and Sunday Times.
 - b) \$3381.65 per annum (GST inclusive).
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
3. What magazine subscriptions does the department/agency have?
- a) The Bureau of Meteorology subscribes to the following magazines and journals to enable staff to keep abreast of the latest information of relevance to the work of the Bureau. These include:
- ACM Transactions on Mathematical Software
 - Advances in Atmospheric Sciences
 - Agricultural and Forest Meteorology
 - Air Quality and Climate Change
 - American Meteorological Society Membership
 - Atmosfera – Mexico
 - Atmosphere Ocean
 - Atmospheric Environment
 - Atmospheric Research
 - Atmospheric Science Letters
 - Australasian Journal of Environmental Management
 - Australasian Science
 - Australian Aviation
 - Australian Journal of Water Resources
 - Australian Personal Computer Journal - Australia
 - Aviation Week & Space Technology
 - Boundary Layer Meteorology
 - Bulletin of American Meteorological Society
 - CADalyst : the Journal for CAD Managers and Users
 - Choice
 - Choice Computers
 - Climate Dynamics
 - Climate Research
 - Climatic Change
 - CMOS Bulletin SCMO
 - Communications of the ACM
 - Dynamics of Atmospheres & Oceans
 - Earth Interactions
 - Earth Science Informatics
 - Ecosystems Services

- Electronics World
- Environmental Modelling & Software
- Eos
- Geographical Research
- Geophysical Research Letters
- Global Biogeochemical Cycles
- Hydrological Sciences Journal = Journal des Sciences Hydrologiques
- Hydrology Research
- IEEE Transactions on Geoscience & Remote Sensing
- International Journal of Biometeorology
- International Journal of Climatology
- International Journal of Digital Earth
- International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters
- International Journal of Meteorology
- International Journal of Wildland Fire
- Journal of Applied Meteorology and Climatology
- Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology
- Journal of Climate
- Journal of Flood Risk Management
- Journal of Geophysical Research : Atmospheres
- Journal of Geophysical Research : Oceans
- Journal of Geophysical Research : Space Physics
- Journal of Hydrologic Engineering
- Journal of Hydrology - Netherlands
- Journal of Hydrometeorology
- Journal of Operational Oceanography
- Journal of Physical Oceanography
- Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences
- Journal of the Meteorological Society of Japan
- Journal of the Royal Statistical Society : Series C Applied Statistics
- Journal of Weather Modification
- Law Institute Journal
- Meteorological Applications
- Meteorological Society of New Zealand Membership and Newsletter
- Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics
- Metrologia
- Monthly Weather Review
- Natural Hazards

- Nature
- Nature Climate Change
- New Scientist
- Newsletter of the Meteorological Society of New Zealand Membership
- Ocean Modelling
- PC & Tech Authority
- Policy
- PreCIS
- Pure & Applied Geophysics Pageoph
- Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society
- Radio Science
- Remote Sensing of Environment
- Reviews of Geophysics
- Science
- Silicon Chip
- Skeptic
- Space Weather
- Talent Development - TD
- Tao: Terrestrial Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences
- Techlife
- Theoretical and Applied Climatology
- Water Resources Management
- Water Resources Research
- Weather - England
- Weather and Forecasting
- Weather Climate and Society
- Weatherwise
- Well@Work newsletter.

b) \$192,417.54 per annum (GST exclusive).

c) Not applicable.

d) Nil.

4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?

a) The Bureau of Meteorology purchased the following publications to enable staff to keep abreast of the latest information of relevance to the work of the Bureau. These include:

- A Guide to the Business Analysis Body of Knowledge version 3
- Advancing Weather and Climate Science

- AS ISO/IEC 27001:2015 - Information technology - Security techniques - Information security management systems - Requirements
 - AS ISO/IEC 27002:2015- Information technology - Security techniques - Code of practice for information security controls
 - AS/NZS 3000:2007/Amdt 2:2012 - Electrical installations (known as the Australian/New Zealand Wiring Rules)
 - Battling Drought: The Science of Water Management
 - CISSP (ISC)2 Certified Information Systems Security Professional Official Study Guide
 - COBIT 5 Bundle
 - COBIT 5: Enabling Information
 - Ensuring digital accessibility through process and policy
 - Exam 70-411 Administering Windows Server 2012
 - Exam 70-412 Configuring Advanced Windows Server 2012
 - How to write and talk to selection criteria
 - How to write and talk to selection criteria (multi-user licence)
 - Hydrology and Water Resources of India
 - IEC 60079-10-1 Ed. 2.0
 - Mastering Emacs
 - Microsoft Installing and Configuring Windows Server 2012
 - Mindware: Tools for Smart Thinking
 - Parameterization of atmospheric convection: 2 volume set
 - Structured Parallel Programming
 - Studies in Mathematics and its Applications - Volume 19
 - Superforecasting: The Art and Science of Prediction
 - Teach Yourself C++
 - TOGAF 9 Foundation Exam Study Guide
 - TOGAF 9 Part 1 Practice Test (The Open Group Study Guides)
 - TOGAF 9.1
 - TOGAF Version 9.1 a Pocket Guide
 - Yalanji Warranga Kaban: Yalanji People of the Rain.
- b) \$3254.31 (GST inclusive).
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Nil.

Director of National Parks

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Nil.
 - b) Not applicable.

- c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
2. What newspaper subscriptions does the department/agency have?
- a) The Director of National Parks subscribes to the following specialist newspapers as these papers commonly have articles that are of interest to, related to, or specifically about, the work undertaken by the Director of National Parks.
 - South Coast Register
 - The Koori Mail
 - NT News.
 - b) \$417.52 (GST inclusive).
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
3. What magazine subscriptions does the department/agency have?
- a) The Director of National Parks subscribes to the following specialist magazines as they commonly have articles that are of interest to, related to, or specifically about, the work undertaken by the Director of National Parks. These include:
 - Alpine gardener
 - Annals of the Missouri Botanical Garden
 - Annual Review of Pteridological Research
 - Australian Entomologist
 - Australian Garden History
 - Australian Orchid Review
 - Bibliography of Systematic Mycology
 - Bryological Times
 - Council on Botanical & Horticultural Libraries Newsletter
 - Fungimap Newsletter
 - Gardening Australia
 - Hattoria
 - Hikobia
 - Index of Fungi
 - International Plant Propagators Society Combined Proceedings
 - Kew magazine
 - Landscape Architecture
 - Landscape Architecture Australia
 - Landscape Outlook
 - Malayan Orchid Review
 - Malesian Orchid Journal
 - Mycotaxon

- New Zealand Native Orchid Journal
 - Northern Territory Naturalist
 - Novon
 - Nuytsia
 - Orchardian
 - Orchidee
 - Orchid Digest
 - Orchid Review
 - Palms & Cycads
 - Plant Protection Quarterly
 - Plantsman
 - Plumbing Connection
 - Public Garden: the Journal of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta
 - Seed Science & Technology
 - Seed Testing International
 - Tropical Bryology.
- b) \$1461.62 (GST inclusive).
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
- a) The Director of National Parks purchases the following specialist publications as they are of interest to, related to, or specifically about, the work undertaken by the Director of National Parks. These include:
- All About Garden Wildlife of Australia
 - Australian Alps: Kosciuszko
 - Alpine and Namadgi National Parks
 - Backyard Bush Tucker
 - Banksia Lady: Celia Rosser
 - Green Guide: Trees of Australia
 - Mountain Ash
 - Native Wildflowers of the New England Tableland
 - Orchids of Margaret River
 - The Southwest: Australia's Biodiversity Hotspot
 - Systematics & Taxonomy of Aust Mammals
 - Wollongong's Native Trees (3rd Edition)
 - Woodland Flora.
- b) \$418.03 (GST inclusive).

- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Nil.
 - b) Not applicable.
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
2. What newspaper subscriptions does the department/agency have?
 - a) The Sydney Harbour Federation Trust subscribes to the following specialist newspapers to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust and issues that impact key stakeholders or allow Sydney Harbour Federation Trust staff to undertake their work. These include:
 - Sydney Morning Herald – digital subscription.
 - b) \$73.50 (GST inclusive).
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
3. What magazine subscriptions does the department/agency have?
 - a) Nil.
 - b) Not applicable.
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
 - a) Nil.
 - b) Not applicable.
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Nil.
 - b) Not applicable.
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
2. What newspaper subscriptions does the department/agency have?

- a) The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority subscribes to the following specialist newspapers to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Great Barrier Reef and issues that impact key stakeholders or allow policy advisers to undertake their work. These include:
- Torres News
 - Cooktown News
 - Mossman and Port Douglas Gazette
 - Innisfail Advocate
 - Tully Times
 - Fishing and Boating
 - Fishing monthly
 - Koori Mail
 - The Australian
 - Courier Mail
 - Townsville Bulletin.
- b) \$2969.15 (GST inclusive).
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
3. What magazine subscriptions does the department/agency have?
- a) The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority subscribes to the following specialist magazines to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Great Barrier Reef related to environmental management, governance and marine science research. These include:
- Australasian Journal of Environmental Management (Cancelled for 2016)
 - Australian Journal of Maritime & Ocean Affairs (Cancelled for 2016)
 - Australian Journal of Public Administration
 - Conservation Biology, Coral Reefs, Ecological Applications
 - Fish & Fisheries
 - Impact Assessment & Project Appraisal
 - Indigenous Law Bulletin
 - Marine & Freshwater Research
 - Marine Mammal Science
 - Marine Resource Economics
 - New Scientist
 - Pacific Conservation Biology
 - Tourism in Marine Environments (Cancelled for 2016)
 - Marine Policy
 - Marine Pollution Bulletin
 - Ocean & Coastal Management

- LexisNexis Legal
 - CCH Australia.
- b) \$23,812.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
- a) The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority purchases the following specialist publications to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority and issues that impact key stakeholders or allow policy advisers to undertake their work. These include:
- ASA S3/SC1.4 TR-2014 Sound Exposure Guidelines for Fishes and Sea Turtles: A Technical Report prepared by ANSI-Accredited Standards Committee S3/SC1 and registered with ANSI
 - Cross on Evidence (10th edition)
 - All Above Board
 - AS/NZS ISO 30301:2012 Information and documentation - Management systems for recordkeeping – Requirements
 - The Personal Efficiency Program: How to Stop Feeling Overwhelmed and Win Back Control of Your Work!
 - AS/NZS 2299.1:2015
 - AS/NZS 2299.1 Sup 1:2015
 - Site Formation Processes of Submerged Shipwrecks.
- b) \$1345.45 (GST inclusive).
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.

The Climate Change Authority

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- a) Nil.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
2. What newspaper subscriptions does the department/agency have?
- a) The Climate Change Authority subscribes to the following specialist newspapers to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Climate Change Authority and issues that impact key stakeholders or allow Climate Change Authority staff to undertake their work. These include:
- The Age
 - The Australian

- The Australian Financial Review
- b) \$819.97 (GST inclusive).
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
3. What magazine subscriptions does the department/agency have?
- a) Nil.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
- a) Nil.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.

Clean Energy Finance Corporation

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- a) Nil.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
2. What newspaper subscriptions does the department/agency have?
- a) The Clean Energy Finance Corporation subscribes to the following specialist newspapers to stay informed on developments in government and markets.
- Fairfax Online
 - The Australian
 - The Australian Financial Review
- b) \$1352 (GST inclusive).
- c) Nil.
- d) Nil.
3. What magazine subscriptions does the department/agency have?
- a) Nil.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?

- a) The CEFC is not required by the AASB standards or the Finance Minister's Orders to account for this type of purchase as a separate line item in the accounts. In consequence it is difficult to identify such purchases because this would involve a manual rechecking of invoices in the period. Attempting to collect this information would present an unnecessary diversion of public resources.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.

Clean Energy Regulator

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Nil.
 - b) Nil.
 - c) Nil.
 - d) Nil.
2. What newspaper subscriptions does the department/agency have?
 - a) The Clean Energy Regulator subscribes to the following specialist newspapers to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Clean Energy Regulator and issues that impact key stakeholders or allow policy advisers to undertake their work. These include:
 - Sydney Morning Herald
 - The Age
 - The Australian
 - The Australian Financial Review
 - b) \$792.90 (GST inclusive).
 - c) Nil.
 - d) Nil.
3. What magazine subscriptions does the department/agency have?
 - a) The Clean Energy Regulator subscribes to the following magazine subscriptions to assist with identifying and tracking issues relevant to the Clean Energy Regulator and issues that impact key stakeholders or allow policy advisers to undertake their work. These include:
 - Energy Source and Distribution
 - EcoGeneration
 - b) Nil.
 - c) Nil.
 - d) Nil.
4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?

a) The Clean Energy Regulator purchased the following publications to inform the Office of the General Counsel, to assist with the effective senior management of projects and to manage benefits realisation with the agency. These include:

- *Renewable Energy (Electricity) Act 2000*
- Directing Successful Projects with PRINCE2
- Benefit Realisation Management: A Practical Guide to Achieving Benefits Through Change (2nd edn) and Management of Value by Office of Government Commerce
- Macquarie Dictionary

b) \$647.57.

c) Nil.

d) Nil.

Australian Renewable Energy Agency

1. Nil.

2. Nil.

3. Nil.

4. Nil.