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Question: AET 2419-2426

Topic: Reviews (SCT)

Written: 5 March 2014

Senator LUDWIG asked:

- 2419. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, how many new reviews (defined as review, inter-departmental group, inquiry, internal review or similar activity) have been commenced? Please list them including:
 - a. the date they were ordered
 - b. the date they commenced
 - c. the minister responsible
 - d. the department responsible
 - e. the nature of the review
 - f. their terms of reference
 - g. the scope of the review
 - h. Whom is conducting the review
 - i. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review
 - j. the expected report date
 - k. the budgeted, projected or expected costs
 - I. if the report will be tabled in parliament or made public
- 2420. For any review commenced or ordered since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review?
 - a. If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names
 - b. If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent
 - c. If yes, for each is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each cost item
 - d. If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement
 - e. If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.
 - f. If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them
 - g. If yes, for each, who selected them
 - h. If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them,

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- i. If yes, please detail what involvement it was
- ii. If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list
- iii. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur
- iv. If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department
- v. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur
- 2421. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, what reviews are on-going?
 - a. Please list them.
 - b. What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?
- 2422. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.
- 2423. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, what reviews have concluded? Please list them.
- 2424. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, how many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided.
- 2425. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?
- 2426. What reviews are planned?
 - a. When will each planned review be commenced?
 - b. When will each of these reviews be concluded?
 - c. When will government respond to each review?
 - d. Will the government release each review?
 - i. If so, when?
 - ii. If not, why not?

Answer:

- 2419. Nil
- 2420. Not applicable
- 2421. Nil
- 2422. No
- 2423. Nil
- 2424. Not applicable
- 2425. Not applicable
- 2426. Nil