Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: ASIC

Question: AET 776-782

Topic: Government Payments of Accounts

Reference: written - 19 February 2016

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

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

- 776. What has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others?
- 777. How many payments owed (as a number andas a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days?
- 778. How many payments owed (as a number andas a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days?
- 779. How many payments owed (as a number andas a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days?
- 780. How many payments owed (as a number andas a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days? f) How many payments owed (as a number andas a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days?
- 781. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since Estimates, 2014?
- 782. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?

Answer:

776. The average time period for the department to pay its accounts within the period 14 September 2015 to 29 February 2016 is under 30 days (23.8 days).

777 -780. See table below.

14 September 2015 - 29 February 2016	Paid within 30 days (paid on time)	Paid within 31-60 days	Paid within 61-90 days	Paid within 91-120 days	Paid in over 120 days	Total
Number of invoices	4,725	23	0	0	0	4,748
% of invoices by number	99.52%	0.48%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100%

- 781. Between 14 September 2015 and 29 February 2016, there has been no interest paid on overdue amounts.
- 782. Not applicable as no interest has been paid.