Senate Economics Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates 2014 3 June to 5 June 2014

Department/ Agency: Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Question: BET 1308-1315

Topic: Reviews

Reference: Written - 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

- 1308. Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, 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
 - 1) If the report will be tabled in parliament or made public
- 1309. For any review commenced or ordered since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, 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,
 - 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
- 1310. Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, what reviews are on-going?
 - a) Please list them.
 - b) What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?

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- 1311. Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.
- 1312. Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, what reviews have concluded? Please list them.
- 1313. Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, how many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided.
- 1314. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?
- 1315. 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? If not, why not?

Answer:

- 1308. Nil.
 - a) -1) Not applicable.
- 1309. Not applicable.
 - a) h) Not applicable.
- 1310. Nil.
 - a) b) Not applicable.
- 1311. No.
- 1312. Nil.
- 1313. Nil.
- 1314. Not applicable.
- 1315. Nil.
 - a) d) Not applicable.