Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2014 - 2015

Department/Agency: CEFC Question: SBT2091-2093

Topic: Lobbyist Register Meetings Reference: written - 30 October 2014

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- 2091. List all interactions between the department/agency with any representative listed on the lobbyist register
- 2092. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting
- 2093. List all interactions between the Minister/parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with any representative listed on the lobbyist register during the specified period. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting

Answer:

2091-2092 – The Lobbyists Code of Conduct binds:

- a Minister,
- a Parliamentary Secretary,
- a person employed or engaged by a Minister or a Parliamentary Secretary under the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984*,
- an Agency Head or a person employed under the Public Service Act 1999,
- a person engaged as a contractor or consultant by an Australian Government agency whose staff are employed under the *Public Service Act 1999*,
- or a member of the Australian Defence Force.

The CEFC has none of these officers. Accordingly, to attempt to provide this information would present an unnecessary diversion of public resources that would not meet the requirements of efficient, effective, economical and ethical usage per the *Public Governance* and Accountability Act 2013.

2093 – The CEFC is not a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary's office.