Senate Economics Legislation Committee

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Department/Agency: RAM Question: SBT 2302-2309

Topic: Reviews

Reference: written - 30 October 2015

Senator: Wong, Penny

Question:

Since 1 January 2015:

2302. 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) Who 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
- 2303. For any review commenced or ordered since Budget Estimates in June 2015, 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.

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- v. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur
- 2304. Which reviews are on-going?
 - a) Please list them.
 - b) What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?
- 2305. Have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.
- 2306. Which reviews have concluded? Please list them.
- 2307. How many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided.
- 2308. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?
- 2309. 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

Answer:

- 2302. Nil response.
- 2303. Not applicable.
- 2304. Nil response.
- 2305. Nil response.
- 2306. Scoping study into the Royal Australian Mint.
- 2307. One review has been provided to the Government, the Scoping Study into the Royal Australian Mint on the 29 January 2015.
- 2308. The Government responded in the May 2015 Budget.
- 2309. Nil response.