Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Agency - Fair Work Building & Construction

Department of Employment Question No. EM0341_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

FWBC - FOI Disclosure log

"The following guestions relate to requests made pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (the Act): The following questions relate to the period from 18 September 2013: 1. For the purposes of meeting its obligations under 11C of the Act, does the Department or Agency: a. Maintain a webpage allowing download of documents released under section 11A (direct download)? b. Require individuals to contact the Department or Agency to ask for the provision of those documents (request for provision)? c. Facilitate to those documents in a different manner (if so. specify). 2. If the Department or Agency has moved from a system of meetings its 11C obligations by direct download, to a system of meeting those obligations by request for provision, provide the following information: a. The dates for which documents were made available for direct download, and the dates for which documents were made available through request for provision; b. The total number of direct downloads of documents released under 11A the Departmental or Agency website; c. The total number of requests for provision to documents that had been directly received, and how many had been processed by [date]? d. What was the average FTE allocated to monitoring incoming email, collating and forwarding documents providing under a request for provision? 1. What was the approximate cost for salaries for the FTE staff allocated to this task? 3. Has the Department or Agency charged any for access to a document under section 11C(4)? 4. If so, please provide the following information in a table: a. On how many occasions charges have been imposed; b. The amount charged for each document c. The total amount charged; d. What is the highest charge that has been imposed."

Answer

1.

- a. Yes, they are available for download.
- b. Documents that are able to be published will be made as downloadable information on the relevant webpage.
- c. No, but consideration would be given to making information accessible in a different manner if a request were made to do so.
- 2. This information remains downloadable, where possible to do so, from the website.
- 3. No charge has been imposed in the period.
- 4. Not applicable.