

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO WRITTEN QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – FEBRUARY 2016**

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

**Outcome/Program:**

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government entities and prescribed private sector organisations, by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and statutory compliance inspections and reporting.

**Topic:** Section 9 notices

**Senator:** Senator Xenophon

**Question reference number:** 115

**Type of question:** Written

**Date set by the Committee for the return of answer:** 1 April 2016

**Number of pages:** 1

**Question:**

**Senator XENOPHON:**

Can the Ombudsman please provide the number S9 notices the Ombudsman used last financial year, and this financial year to date – perhaps tabulated by the Department/Agency they were issued to.

**Answer:**

Five (5) Section 9 notices were issued in 2014-15. Of these, four (4) were issued to private individuals and one was issued to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission. To date nil Section 9 notices have been issued in 2015-16.