

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – BUDGET ESTIMATES – 21 MAY 2012

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY PORTFOLIO

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1	Corp	ASCD	Birmingham	Departmental Communications Staff seconded to Parliamentary Secretary	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Specific to this answer and the communication support role to the parliamentary secretary, was there a departmental official seconded to the parliamentary secretary for a period of time in addition to the usual staffing arrangements in the parliamentary secretary's office? <b>Mr Comley:</b> I will have to take the precise details.	EC4	20/07/12	23/08/12
2	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	ACCRA staff in Clean Energy Regulator	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> In relation specifically to those recruited for ACCRA, have any of those who left since returned, that you are aware of, through the establishment of the Clean Energy Regulator? <b>Mr Comley:</b> We can take on notice whether there would be any that have left and come back. There were a number that redeployed within the department who have now ended up in the Clean Energy Regulator.	EC9	17/07/12	23/08/12
3	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Staffing – ASL	2012-13 Budget Paper No 1 states that the ASL for the Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency is projected to reduce primarily due to the ending of a range of administered programs. Please provide a list of what programs are ending and for each program include a list staff and staff classifications.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
4	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Staffing – Department	1. How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? 2. How many non ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? 3. This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
5	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Staffing – SES – Department	Please list the SES positions have you in your Department this financial year to date. Identify the different levels and how many are permanent positions.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
6	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Staffing – Graduates – Department	What was the cost for recruiting 2012 Graduates? Please itemise and detail costs.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
7	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Staffing – Graduate Training – Department	Will there be any training after the 2012 Calendar year for 2012 Graduates? If yes, please detail costs and what the training is.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
8	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Staffing – Recruitment and Reductions	1. What are the staffing numbers for each division within the Department currently and predicted for the next 12 months? 2. Have all positions advertised in the Department been filled in the past twelve months? 3. Are any staff reductions including positions not filled?	Written	30/07/12	23/08/12
9	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Staffing – Department	1. How many agencies/authorities now report to the Department?	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12

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				and Agencies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. What are the staffing numbers currently and projected for 12 months time for each of those agencies/authorities?</li> <li>3. How many staff are transferring (have transferred and/or will transfer) from the Department to these agencies/authorities?</li> </ol>			
10	Corp	ASCD	Birmingham	Staffing – Communications	What is the size of the communications department in the Department? What budget does it have?	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
11	Corp	ASCD	Fisher	Advertising – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date?</li> <li>2. Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.</li> <li>3. Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</li> <li>4. Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</li> <li>5. Did the Advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Provide the details for each advertising item.</li> <li>6. Provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services.</li> <li>7. What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the Department undertaking, or are planning to undertake?</li> </ol>	Written	03/08/12	23/08/12
12	Corp	ASCD	Birmingham	Advertising	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please detail all advertising expenditure in financial year 2011-12 to date by campaign, including the campaign's purpose, total cost (including campaign research and design) and media (i.e. print, radio, TV etc) involved. In each case, if the campaign was part of a broader strategy, what other communications activities were undertaken and at what cost? Please provide a similar breakdown on budgeted future spending.</li> <li>2. Please detail all advertising related contracts entered into, specifically their costs, duration and key deliverables under each contract.</li> </ol>	Written	08/08/12	23/08/12
13	Corp	ASCD	Birmingham	Market Research	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please detail all market research expenditure in financial year 2011-12 and identify the campaign(s) to which the expenditure relates. Please provide a similar breakdown on budgeted future spending.</li> <li>2. Please detail all market research related contracts entered into, specifically their costs, duration and key deliverables under each contract.</li> </ol>	Written	08/08/12	23/08/12

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14	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Hospitality and Entertainment – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the Department's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</li> <li>2. What hospitality spend is the Department planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</li> <li>3. What is the Department's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</li> <li>4. What entertainment spend is the Department planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</li> <li>5. Is the Department planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
15	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Hospitality and Entertainment – MO/PSO	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</li> <li>2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</li> <li>3. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event</li> <li>4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</li> <li>5. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
16	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Board Appointments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. List all of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members.</li> <li>2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?</li> <li>3. Please detail any board appointments for this financial year to date.</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
17	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Freedom of Information	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Has the Department received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests?</li> <li>2. What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date?</li> <li>3. How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date? How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted? Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?</li> <li>4. How many conclusive certificates have been issued in relation to FOI requests for this financial year to date?</li> </ol>	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
18	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Community Cabinet	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What was the cost of Ministers travel and expenses for the Community Cabinet meetings held this financial year to date?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. How many Community Cabinet meetings has the Minister attended? List date and location.</li> <li>3. How many Ministerial Staff travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? What was the total cost of this travel? Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Ministerial Staff attend? List date and location.</li> <li>4. How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? What was the total cost of this travel? List travel type, accommodate and any other expenses. Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location.</li> <li>5. What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?</li> </ol>			
19	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Reviews	<p>For this financial year to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many Reviews are being undertaken?</li> <li>2. What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded</li> <li>3. Which of these reviews has been provided to Government?</li> <li>4. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?</li> <li>5. What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews?</li> <li>6. What reviews are planned?</li> <li>7. When will each of these reviews be concluded?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
20	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Consultancies – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.</li> <li>2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
21	Corp	ASCD	Fisher	Media Monitoring – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Department for this financial year to date?</li> <li>2. Which agency or agencies provided these services?</li> <li>3. What is the estimated budget to provide these same services for the year 2012-13?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
22	Corp	ASCD	Fisher	Media Monitoring – Minister's Office	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12

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					<p>office for this financial year to date?</p> <p>2. Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>3. What is the estimated budget to provide these same services for the year 2012-13?</p>			
23	Corp	ASCD	Fisher	Social Media – Department	Has there been any changes to the Department’s social media or protocols about staff access and useage of Youtube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since publication of the Australian Public Service Commission’s Circular 2012/1: Revisions to the Commission's guidance on making public comment and participating online? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issue. If no, please explain why not.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
24	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – Hawker Britton	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
25	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – Shannon’s Way	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed Shannon’s Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon’s Way? If yes, provide details.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
26	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – John Utting & UMR Research Group	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
27	Corp	ASCD	Fisher	Contractors – McCann-Erickson	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
28	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – Cutting Edge	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
29	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – Ikon Communications	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
30	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – CMAX Communications	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
31	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – Boston Consulting Group	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details.	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
32	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – McKinsey & Company	For this financial year to date, has the Department ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
33	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Contractors – General	For this financial year to date, what contractors have been employed by the department? Provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost)	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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34	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Discretionary Grants	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Could the Department provide a list of all discretionary grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.</li> <li>2. Has the Department complied with interim requirements relating to the publication of discretionary grants?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
35	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Commissioned Reports	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your portfolio this financial year to date? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.</li> <li>2. How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level?</li> <li>3. What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
36	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Government Payment of Accounts – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For this financial year to date, has the Department paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)?</li> <li>2. If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached)</li> <li>3. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the Department for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</li> <li>4. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
37	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Stationery Requirements – MO/PSO	How much was spent by the Department on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (i.e. paper, envelopes, with compliments slips) this financial year to date?	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
38	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Stationery Requirements – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the Department's stationery costs for the financial year to date?</li> <li>2. What was the Department's stationery costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
39	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Media Subscriptions – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Has there been any change to your pay TV subscription since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.</li> <li>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Has there been any change to your newspaper subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.</li> <li>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Has there been any change to your magazine subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12

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					a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines. b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?			
40	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Travel Costs – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</li> <li>For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
41	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Travel Policy – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are the Government's Lowest Practical Fare travel policy for Domestic Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/10) and Best Fare of the Day for International Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/11) guidelines being followed? How is this monitored? If the guidelines are not being followed, please explain why.</li> <li>Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships.</li> <li>When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel.</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
42	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Overseas Travel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many Department staff travelled overseas?</li> <li>Please detail the total number of trips for each departmental position and their total travel expenses.</li> <li>How many staff travelled first class?</li> <li>How many staff travelled business class?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
43	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Overseas Travel Cost	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What was the total cost of overseas travel for the Department? Please include a list of all international travel itemised by trip, detailing the number of Departmental staff involved and the cost of each trip including the total amounts spent on accommodation and meals, cities or other destinations visited, the purpose of the travel and any specific outcomes achieved.</li> <li>What was the total amount spent by the Department on overseas accommodation and meals?</li> </ol>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
44	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Future Overseas Travel	How many future overseas trips is the Department currently planning?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
45	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Interstate Travel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many staff travelled interstate?</li> <li>What was the total accommodation and meals bill for staff travelling interstate over the past year?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
46	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Rio+20	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is the Minister attending the 'Rio+20' United Nations Conference on</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					<p>Sustainable Development, in Brazil? If so, for how many days is the Minister attending?</p> <p>2. How many officers from the Department are attending and for how many days?</p> <p>3. How many are travelling first class? How many are travelling business class?</p> <p>4. Please provide a summary of costs (or expected costs if not yet finalised), broken down by flights, accommodation etc.</p>			
47	Corp	LSB	Fisher	Legal Costs – Department	<p>1. What sum did the Department spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the Department? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>2. What sum did the Department spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>3. What sum did the Department spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>4. What sum did each the Department spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
48	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Education Expenses – Department	<p>1. What are the Department guidelines on study? Please provide details. For this financial year to date, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the Department.</p>	Written	17/08/12	23/08/12
49	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training – Department	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by the Department, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:</p> <p>1. Total spending on these services</p> <p>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>4. The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>For each service purchased form a provider listed under 4., please provide:</p> <p>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>c) The number of employees who received the service and their</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12



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					<p>employment classification</p> <p>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>e) The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>Where a service was provided at any location other than the Department's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>i. The location used</p> <p>ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>iv. Any costs the Department incurred to use the location</p>			
50	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Media Training – Department	<p>In relation to media training services purchased by the Department, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:</p> <p>1. Total spending on these services</p> <p>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>4. The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>For each service purchased from a provider listed under 4., please provide:</p> <p>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>e) The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>Where a service was provided at any location other than the Department's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>i. The location used</p> <p>ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>iv. Any costs the Department incurred to use the location</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
51	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Paid Parental Leave – Department	<p>1. Please list how many staff in the Department are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					2. For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.			
52	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Training for Portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries	1. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for. 2. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for staff of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for. 3. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for designed to better suit the needs of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for, and how many employees attended and their classification.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
53	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Corporate Cars - Department	Please update if there have been any changes since Additional Estimates 2011-12 (February 2012): 1. How many cars are owned by the Department? 2. Where is the car/s located? 3. What is the car/s used for? 4. What is the cost of each car for this financial year to date? 5. How far did each car travel this financial year to date?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
54	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Taxi Costs – Department	1. How much did the Department spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in the Department. 2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
55	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Credit Cards - Department	Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. Please update if there have been any changes since Additional Estimates 2011-12 (February 2012): 1. What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? 2. How is corporate credit card use monitored? 3. What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? 4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. 5. What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
56	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Printing of Documents – Department	Does the Department print any hard copies of reports/statements/papers they produce? If yes, please list how many copies, where they are delivered and the cost.	Written	17/08/12	23/08/12

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57	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Provision of Equipment – Minister's Office and Parliamentary Secretary's Office	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs.</li> <li>2. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date? What were the running costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?</li> <li>3. Please update if there have been any changes since Additional Estimates 2011-12 (February 2012): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment?</li> <li>b) If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Written	03/08/12	23/08/12
58	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Provision of Equipment – Department	Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive (not an inclusive list)) provided to Department staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
59	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Electricity Purchasing – Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide an update of the Department's electricity purchasing agreement. Provide details of when this was entered into and the length of the agreement.</li> <li>2. What were the Department's electricity costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?</li> <li>3. What are the Department's electricity costs for this financial year to date?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
60	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Information for the Australian Greens – Department	<p>Does the Department provide any information and/or undertake any requests for the Australian Greens? If yes, please provide the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How is such work and/or information requests commissioned?</li> <li>2. What work/information requests have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each work produced.</li> <li>3. Has any such work and/or information requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details including what the work and/or information requests were and why it could not be undertaken.</li> <li>4. How long is spent undertaking work and/or information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
61	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Information for the Independents – Department	<p>Does the Department provide any information and/or undertake any requests for the Independents? If yes, please provide the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How is such work and/or information requests commissioned?</li> <li>2. What work/information requests have been undertaken? Provide details, including who the work/information was for and a copy of each work produced.</li> <li>3. Has any such work and/or information requests been unable to proceed? If</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					<p>yes, provide details including what the work and/or information requests were, who they were from, who they were for and why it could not be undertaken.</p> <p>4. How long is spent undertaken work and/or information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p>			
62	Corp	CSD	Fisher	Shredders – Department	Has the Department purchased any shredders in the last 12 months? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
63	Corp	CSD	McKenzie	Carbon Price – Impact on Department Running Costs	Has the department modelled the impact of the carbon tax on their running costs? If so, what was the outcome? If not, why, not?	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
64	Corp	CSD	McKenzie	Electricity Use	How much electricity does the department use? How much is the department's electricity bill?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
65	Corp	CSD	Di Natale	Access and Equity Strategy – Department	<p>1. How does your Department ensure that the Government's Access and Equity Strategy is implemented in its entirety and in relation to all Departmental activities? How does your Department acknowledge the multicultural character of the Australian society, in terms of the services and programs you provide?</p> <p>2. How do you measure your success against Access and Equity goals? What evidence do you that the Department is actively implementing the Government's Access &amp; Equity policy?</p> <p>3. What changes will you implement over the next financial year to ensure your programs and services are more accessible to Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities?</p> <p>4. What is your Department doing to ensure it has a culturally competent workforce?</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
66	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Conferences – Department Funded	<p>What is the total expenditure on conferences both:</p> <p>a) in-house, that is, held within the department; and</p> <p>b) external, held by the department</p> <p>on a month-by-month basis since July 2010?</p> <p>For conferences fully funded by the Department and costing in excess of \$30,000:</p> <p>i) where was the venue;</p> <p>ii) what was the reason for each conference;</p> <p>iii) how many participants registered;</p> <p>iv) were consultancy fees paid for the organisation of each conference;</p> <p>v) to whom were the consultancy fees paid; and</p> <p>vi) what was the cost of each consultancy.</p>	Written	24/07/12	23/08/12
67	Corp	CSD	Birmingham	Conferences –	For conferences part-sponsored or part-funded by the Department and costing	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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				Commonwealth Funding Contribution	the Commonwealth in excess of \$30,000: a) what was the cost to the Department; b) what was the proportion of Commonwealth funding as against the total cost of the conference; c) what was the rationale for the sponsorship or part-funding; d) what was the venue; e) how many participants registered; f) did the Commonwealth contribute to any consultant organising the conference; if so, who was the consultant; and g) how much was the Commonwealth's contribution?			
68	1.1	LD	Birmingham	Landfill emissions	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> How many of those 100 to 200 sites already operate gas flaring facilities or capture their gas somehow? <b>Mr Carter:</b> I do not have those numbers. <b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Is there an estimate that was used as a key factor for them to potentially offset their emissions? Does the department have an idea as to how many or what proportion of major facilities with emissions over 25,000 tonnes already have gas flaring operations? <b>Ms Thompson:</b> My recollection is that we do not have an estimate of that figure, but I can take it on notice. <b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Thank you. Is there an estimate of how much it costs to install such gas flaring facilities or operations? <b>Ms Thompson:</b> I believe we do have an estimate, but I would prefer to take that on notice also because I would not want to give you an imprecise figure.	EC16	10/10/12	11/10/12
69	1.1	CSMD	Birmingham	Landfill emissions	<b>Mr Comley:</b> Senator, there would be an estimate. I do not have it in front of me. Treasury would have needed to estimate that to form an estimate of the amount of emissions that will be subject to the fixed price during the three-year period for revenue. We also have estimates of waste in general on the national inventory and as part of the projections going forward. I do not have those numbers in front of me, but there must be an estimate. <b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> I note that the national inventory is something the department might be able to talk about. If we are able to get some estimates either of waste tonnage or emissions projections for the period out to 2020, that would be much appreciated. Ms Thompson or Dr Kennedy, you are looking enthusiastic.	EC19	17/07/12	23/08/12
70	1.1	LD	Birmingham	Waste emissions	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> emissions from waste per annum, which, of course, includes legacy waste and so on. So in trying to get a fresh starting point, the household figures are useful because they provide a potential fresh starting point there. Trying to get a fresh starting point for non-household waste, are there some backwards calculations, such as you just suggested there, Mr Comley, that we can do? <b>Mr Comley:</b> Well, unless there has been a change in the ratio of household to	EC20	17/08/12	23/08/12

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					<p>non-household, I would have thought you would say roughly 50 per cent again would be from the commercial side. The difficulty, of course, is if we have substantially changed our practices either at the household or the commercial side compared with the legacy going forward. But we are happy to take on notice where we have a more precise estimate going forward.</p> <p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> So 1 million tonnes per annum of waste with lifetime CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions of about 1 million tonnes from households, and potentially 1½ million once non-household waste is included in that scenario, based on rough historical averages. But you will take on notice to provide something more specific. That would be obviously, then, sort of around 15 million tonnes in the period up to 2020 or slightly less than that, I guess, now. It would be more like 17 million tonnes or thereabouts?</p>			
71	1.1	CSMD	Birmingham	Waste emissions	<p><b>Mr Comley:</b> With the hope of being helpful, I think what the senator might be getting at is what proportion of waste in 2020 would be considered non-legacy waste for the purposes of the scheme. Is that the question you are actually trying to get at, Senator?</p> <p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> I am trying to get at what proportion is indeed covered by the scheme for paying the carbon price in 2020.</p> <p><b>Mr Comley:</b> I think we will take that on notice. The person who would probably know the answer to that off the top of their head is not here. Why don't we see if we can track that down for you. When you look at the formula that determines the time profile of emissions, it is not that complicated. I just do not have the number in my head.</p>	EC21	10/10/12	11/10/12
72	1.1	LD	Macdonald	Carbon emissions and landfill	<p>We draw your attention to the issue of Carbon Tax implications for local council waste management raised at page 21 Senate Estimates Environment and Communication Proof Hansard 21.05.2012.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many cubic metres of organic waste are there in one tonne?</li> <li>2. How many tonnes of organic waste are there in one tonne of carbon?</li> <li>3. Who will be in charge of conducting carbon emission assessments? Will it be local councils or departmental officials?</li> <li>4. What plans are in place for an appeals process if a council disputes the assessment figure?</li> <li>5. In the event that organic and non-organic waste are combined, will the different types of waste be calculated separately? How will the accuracy of these measurements be verified?</li> <li>6. What specific criteria does the Government rely upon in determining whether two or more land fills are geographically separate? What criteria are relied upon (i.e., distance, population)?</li> <li>7. Mark Dreyfus has publicly announced (Media Release May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2012) that the carbon price will only apply to landfill after July 1, 2012. In the case of the Cassowary Coast Council (which has accumulated and stored 100,000</li> </ol>	Written	03/08/12	23/08/12

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					cubic metres of cyclone debris in temporary landfills since early 2011) please clarify the amount of waste the council will be deemed to have deposited. Please also clarify the estimated cost exposure to the council that will result from this?			
73	1.1	LD	McKenzie	Carbon Farming Initiative	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Has the government done a study on the impact on capital value of signing CFI agreements? The social impact of CFI agreements? The economic impact of CFI agreements?</li> <li>2. What data does the government have on who's been funded and how much?</li> <li>3. What is involved? Who's been funded? How much? What do they hope to achieve?</li> <li>4. What consultation occurred with industry on impact on capital value of signing CFI agreements?</li> <li>5. Across what sectors within the industry has this occurred?</li> </ol>	Written	26/09/12	11/10/12
74	1.1	CSMD	Madigan	Carbon Tax in the Timor Sea	<p>The Timor Sea Treaty states (Annex G, Article 4.3) that neither Australia nor East Timor can impose a tax on petroleum projects in the Joint Development Area of the Timor Sea unless both states agree.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Will the Australian government impose the carbon tax in the Timor Sea?</li> <li>2. Has the East Timor government agreed to Australia's imposition of a carbon tax in the Timor Sea?</li> <li>3. How much tax revenue is forecast if the carbon tax is applied?</li> </ol>	Written	17/08/12	23/08/12
75	1.1	CSMD	Boswell	Renewable Energy Target	<p><b>Senator BOSWELL:</b> What I am trying to calculate is the millions of megawatt hours to find out what the final cost would be. Have you got the final costs of the renewable energy by 2020? The Productivity Commission puts it at \$4 billion a year.</p> <p><b>Mr Comley:</b> We have previously put in the public domain the estimates from that modelling, and we are happy to provide that again.</p> <p><b>Senator BOSWELL:</b> Do your figures fit in with the \$4 billion?</p> <p><b>Mr Comley:</b> I would have to take that on notice. My looking at the numbers does not equate with 41 million times the certificate price, unless you add a certificate price that was higher than the current price cap.</p>	EC28	17/08/12	23/08/12
76	1.1	CSMD	Boswell	Treasury modelling	<p><b>Senator BOSWELL:</b> But Mr Comley has said that it was 10 per cent—or you said.</p> <p><b>Dr Kennedy:</b> Actually, I did. Mr Comley had the same view. So we will go back to Treasury for you on notice and confirm what the broad economy-wide increase is. If you like, the increases sit behind the 0.7 per cent increase in overall prices. In other words, how the increase in electricity prices flows through industry to consumer prices will be consistent with any increase in electricity prices passed through to business. So there is no inconsistency here. What we cannot identify for you is what the percentage increases are for different industries. We can confirm for you for households it is 10 per cent.</p>	EC30	17/07/12	23/08/12

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77	1.1	CSMD	Birmingham	Jobs and Competitiveness Program	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> I think 137 have been identified as potentially able to access assistance. Do you have a rough estimate as to how that is split between those who are liable entities under the carbon price and those who are not?</p> <p><b>Ms Wilkinson:</b> I will have to take that on notice. My suspicion is that most would be liable, but it depends. In some industries, where the main source of their exposure is, if you like, from electricity related emissions, those people will not be liable. We could certainly come up with a rough estimate as to what proportion will be directly liable under the scheme. I should also add that there can be industries where, in a given activity, some people will be liable and others will not, and the policy in the Jobs and Competitiveness Package is quite clear that the baseline for allocation within those industries takes into account whether you have direct liability for some of those emissions or not.</p>	EC50	26/09/12	11/10/12
78	1.1	CSMD	McKenzie	Carbon Price – Impact on Communities	In considering the development of the carbon tax and its impact on communities, have you drawn upon the expertise available under the Regional Sustainability Planning program in relation to the development of regional sustainability plans?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
79	1.1	CSMD	McKenzie	Energy Security Fund	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are you aware of any organisations that are in receipt of the Energy Security Fund that are also concerned that they may close without further assistance? What is the department's response to this? Is there a process in place?</li> <li>Can you confirm how many Victorian organisations applied for funding? For what amounts?</li> <li>How much of the Energy Security Fund is being used to assist businesses in regional areas?</li> <li>What proportion in dollar terms is for Victoria in terms of spend?</li> <li>How does this fund intersect with the Regional Structural Adjustment Package?</li> </ol>	Written	10/10/12	11/10/12
80	1.1	CSMD	McKenzie	Industry Assistance	<p>Mr Comley said at Estimates:          “There are probably three categories of businesses. The first category are those that are emissions intensive and trade exposed. Broadly speaking, at the starting carbon price, you only qualify for emissions intensive trade exposed treatment if the cost impact on you overall for both direct emissions and electricity emissions will be above 2.3 per cent. If you are below 2.3 per cent, then you are not considered emissions intensive trade exposed. If you are at that emissions intensity threshold that is equivalent to a 2.3 per cent cost impact, you are entitled to a 66 per cent rate of assistance. So the net cost to you is less than one per cent of your cost base.”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many businesses are in each of these three categories and where are they located?</li> <li>How is the government communicating with workers in carbon intensive industries to retrain or reassure them about their future?</li> </ol>	Written	15/10/12	01/11/12
81	1.1	ASCD	Birmingham	Hall & Partners	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> What did Hall & Partners say about the creatives for	EC53	17/07/12	23/08/12



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					phase 2? Did they not test well? <b>Ms Sidhu:</b> I do not have that in front of me, so I could take that on notice. Hall & Partners have been a bit cautious about releasing some of their material, as you may be aware.			
82	1.1	ASCD	Birmingham	Clean Energy Future campaign	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> It is not unusual to find out whether something went to cabinet and, if so, when it went to cabinet. Obviously, exactly what is given to cabinet is something that is not shared, and the discussions of cabinet are not shared. I am asking if a topic or briefing went to cabinet, so perhaps I will structure the question in a different way. In regards to the public information campaign, when was the last time your department provided a briefing to either your minister or to cabinet on phase 2 of the public information campaign? <b>Ms Sidhu:</b> I do not have the precise date. The last time we would have briefed cabinet would have been about the time that cabinet took a decision on the advertising campaign in the first place, and the only reference would have been to a prospect that there might be a second phase, but there was nothing specific. I cannot recall offhand whether we— <b>Senator Wong:</b> We will take the question on notice. <b>Ms Sidhu:</b> Yes, we will have to take it on notice.	EC53-54	24/07/12	23/08/12
83	1.1	ASCD	Birmingham	Clean Energy Future campaign	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Did you receive draft creatives at some stage or anything of that nature? <b>Ms Sidhu:</b> I do not think we did see draft creatives. <b>Mr Comley:</b> I think we should take that on notice. The reason is that there are two parts of the department that deal with this issue. One is Ms Sidhu's part, which deals with our communications area. Also within the department we have the Clean Energy Future Program Office, which has an implementation responsibility. It monitors the implementation of the whole Clean Energy Future Plan. I will take it on notice, but my understanding is that they were across the way in which the program was implemented and saw materials as they went forward from that perspective of being the program office that looks at the whole-of-government delivery of the Clean Energy Future package.	EC60	24/07/12	23/08/12
84	1.1	CSMD	Birmingham	Carbon pricing information on electricity bills	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> When did work on that option commence? <b>Mr Archer:</b> The option was first considered and proposed last year. With the passage of the carbon pricing mechanism legislation the implementation of the proposal gathered pace towards the end of last year, and we have been continuing to work on it through this year. <b>Dr Kennedy:</b> I am happy to take on notice the precise timing of when the work started, if that is helpful. <b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> I do not necessarily need precise timing, but I did try to pursue some of these areas of public communications during the February estimates. I asked what was under consideration and what activities were being undertaken. I did not get any of this information at that stage. It sounds like this	EC61	17/07/12	23/08/12

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					was at least an option being advanced at that point in time.			
85	1.1	CSMD	Birmingham	Carbon pricing information – good will of electricity retailers	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Have any retailers at this stage refused to participate?</p> <p><b>Mr Archer:</b> I might take that one on notice, if I may, because it is a little bit of a moving feast in terms of communications that are taking place backwards and forwards between ourselves and the retailers.</p> <p><b>Dr Kennedy:</b> In a sense, we will not be able to answer your question in full until the process comes to an end. We are in a middle of a process that we are happy to describe to you. The final question has not been put to retailers, but we are happy to take that on notice.</p>	EC61	26/09/12	11/10/12
86	1.1	ASCD	Birmingham	Climate Change Grant program - ACTU	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> How many are people who have attended the five seminars held to date out of the 10 to be held?</p> <p><b>Ms Sidhu:</b> I do not have that information. I could take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> So, looking at the deliverables I got in that answer, in fairness, progress report 2 appears to be provided after the completion of all the seminars, but have they provided progress report 1?</p> <p><b>Ms Sidhu:</b> I do not have that before me, but I could check and get back to you.</p> <p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Could you provide us with some details as to the number of attendees at these seminars?</p>	EC63	20/07/12	23/08/12
87	1.2	ESPD	Birmingham	Do Something!	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> What is the organisation Do Something!?</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Mr Cahill:</b> Under the guidelines it has to be under 12 months with a connection to a constituency or ability to be able to connect to the target audience, in this regard the SME. I would have to take on notice the length of time that organisation has been operational. Obviously, I do not have the applications in front of me.</p>	EC73	20/07/12	23/08/12
88	1.2	EED	Birmingham	Tax Breaks for Green Buildings – Key Performance Indicators	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Thank you. I appreciate your candour in telling us that there was that degree of progress. Has the department received representations since the decision of the government to opt for a different policy?</p> <p><b>Dr Kennedy:</b> I have not received any representations. I would have to consult with my colleagues or take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Mr McGlynn:</b> Can I just clarify the question? Is it what time and what sort of representations you are asking about? Do you mean since the budget announcement?</p> <p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Since the policy change became clear.</p> <p><b>Mr McGlynn:</b> That announcement was made in the budget. Since then I have not seen any representations. I understand that there are likely to be a few.</p> <p><b>Dr Kennedy:</b> We will take it on notice and consult with our colleagues. You can be sure that neither Gene nor I have had representations.</p>	EC74	20/07/12	23/08/12
89	1.2	EED	Birmingham	Australian Sustainable	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Can the report can be provided to the committee? I</p>	EC75	20/07/12	23/08/12

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				Built Environment Council report	expect the answer will be either a flat no or taken on notice. <b>Mr Comley:</b> We will take it on notice.			
90	1.2	ESPD	Fisher	Home Insulation Program – Golden Boss Pty Ltd	<p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> I want to ask about the Home Insulation Program, in particular following up on a couple of answers to questions on notice 87 and 89. They relate to Golden Boss Pty Ltd, the company that was unlicensed but undertook some installations in South Australia. You indicate in your answer to question 87 that the department has assisted Consumer and Business Services South Australia with the investigation into installations undertaken by a Golden Boss under the HIP. How has the department assisted the South Australian department?</p> <p><b>Mr Cahill:</b> My understanding is that we have provided some information about the overall compliance profile of Golden Boss, but I would have to check that. I can take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> When did the department become aware that four of the 10 publicly identified installations by Golden Boss were non-compliant?</p> <p><b>Mr Cahill:</b> We will have to take that one on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> In answer to question 89, you indicate: The Department has engaged with Golden Boss Pty Ltd in relation to non-compliant installations. The appropriate actions have been taken in relation to these instances of non-compliance ... What actions, when, by whom, how?</p> <p><b>Mr Cahill:</b> I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> If you are taking that on notice, can you indicate how many South Australian homes, if any, have had the appropriate actions taken in respect of the installations?</p> <p><b>Mr Cahill:</b> I do not have that specific information with me.</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> I expect you to take that on notice.</p>	EC75	20/07/12	23/08/12
91	1.2	ESPD	Fisher	HISP – Transfield	<p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> And how many homes have been inspected?</p> <p><b>Mr Painting:</b> Only for the Transfield component, I am sorry, I cannot tell you because it has been consolidated as we go and added to the previous work as well. I would have to take that on notice and give you the total.</p> <p><b>Mr Cahill:</b> I can tell you the number of inspections to date under the program regardless of the contractors, if you would like. Obviously, if you remember the first phase of the Home Insulation Safety Program, I think PwC was the lead contractor. Then when we put it out to market, Transfield took over that. We are happy to expand on the specifics of all inspections to date.</p>	EC78	20/07/12	23/08/12
92	1.2	ESPD	Fisher	Safety Programs	<p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> Can you provide a consolidated cost that shows apples with apples—the number of houses inspected, whether they are FISP or HISP, and the</p>	EC79	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					contract value? <b>Mr Painting:</b> Yes, I can.			
93	1.2	CSD	Fisher	Safety Programs	<b>Senator FISHER:</b> Yes. It is a grand a house, is it not, or a bit over? It is 273 divided by 250. How many calls have been made to the home insulation hotline, say, month by month over the last 12 months? <b>Mr Painting:</b> Month by month, we would obviously take on notice.	EC79	20/07/12	23/08/12
94	1.2	LSB	Fisher	Compensation for Detriment Caused by Defective Administration scheme	<b>Senator FISHER:</b> I appreciate that. Thank you. I will move to the Compensation for Detriment Caused by Defective Administration scheme. How many businesses have lodged claims for compensation under this scheme? There was a story on <i>PM</i> on 2 April which said that 39 businesses had lodged claims. <b>Mr Cahill:</b> As it relates to the green star insulation program, I understand it is in that vicinity, but I would have to check. I am not sure if it is 38 or 39, but that number sounds broadly right to me. <b>Senator FISHER:</b> My questions are in respect of home insulation. Can you confirm that on notice? <b>Senator FISHER:</b> How many claims have been resolved and how many have been successful in whole or in part?	EC80	20/07/12	23/08/12
95	1.2	LSB	Fisher	Compensation for Detriment Caused by Defective Administration Scheme	<b>Senator FISHER:</b> If those claims are not paid in whole or in part and it is alleged that a business has gone bankrupt because of the home insulation program, can you indicate on notice on what basis you would say that the business did go bankrupt or was wound up if it was not due to its involvement in the home insulation program? <b>Mr Cahill:</b> Subject to the advice of the department's experts in this area, I will take on notice the ability to give you the outcomes of those defective administrations once the final decision has been made, obviously recognising the boundaries of privacy. But I will make sure the information we can give you is correct and is available.	EC80-81	20/07/12	23/08/12
96	1.2	EED	Singh	NaTHERS	<b>Senator SINGH:</b> Are they offered in Tasmania? <b>Mr McGlynn:</b> I would have to take that on notice. I would be surprised if they were not, but I cannot actually guarantee at this stage who is offering it in Tasmania. <b>Senator SINGH:</b> Obviously this is a COAG commitment to be rolled out across all jurisdictions. <b>Mr McGlynn:</b> That is right. <b>Senator SINGH:</b> Therefore, the courses need to be available in all jurisdictions. <b>Mr McGlynn:</b> Yes. <b>Senator SINGH:</b> I would be interested to know whether or not and to what extent they are available in Tasmania.	EC81	20/07/12	23/08/12
97	1.2	EED	Singh	AccuRate	<b>Senator SINGH:</b> I notice that there was one distributor of one of the accredited software programs that were available—the AccuRate software. One of the distributors withdrew sale support for that at the beginning of this month. Are	EC82	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					<p>you aware of that and what that is about?</p> <p><b>Mr McGlynn:</b> I am not aware of that. I would have to take that on notice as well.</p> <p><b>Senator SINGH:</b> I understand it is the Hearne Scientific Software Pty Limited.</p> <p><b>Mr McGlynn:</b> Yes. They have been the main distributor for the AccuRate tool, which is a CSIRO developed tool. I would have to take that on notice. I am not aware of that.</p>			
98	1.2	EED	Cameron	Trusts	<p><b>CHAIR:</b> Just before you move on from that, Senator Macdonald, in relation to the trusts, I have an interest in trusts these days. It is not a financial interest but a political interest. Could you provide some more details about the disadvantage that the industry was arguing in relation to the trusts? I would be interested in that.</p> <p><b>Mr Comley:</b> We can take that on notice, yes.</p>	EC84	20/07/12	23/08/12
99	1.2	EED	Macdonald	Australian Sustainable Built Environment Council	<p><b>Mr Comley:</b> He chaired effectively a consultative group to look at the issue. Mr McGlynn could give you the full membership.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator IAN MACDONALD:</b> Sure. I appreciate that, Minister. My question is: why set up these groups to advise if the government then is going to, apparently, take no notice of what they advise? What is the purpose of setting them up?</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator Wong:</b> I can take the question on notice. I am sure we will seek to give a response. I do not have any particular knowledge of this committee.</p>	EC83 EC85	26/09/12	11/10/12
100	1.2	EED	Macdonald	Australian Sustainable Built Environment Council	<p><b>Senator IAN MACDONALD:</b> You are an observer to the Australian Sustainable Built Environment Council. On notice if need be—or perhaps you can answer it—did the government fund that council? Did the government ask it to do anything? If so, could you perhaps on notice give me some details of what funding, if any, the government put into the Australian Sustainable Built Environment Council or any program that they are involved in advising government? I am just interested in the government's investment in the advice that they gave. Is that possible to do?</p> <p><b>Mr McGlynn:</b> I would have to take that on notice, but, yes.</p> <p><b>Senator IAN MACDONALD:</b> Was there some government support in some way or other? Clearly your attendance was a bit of government support.</p> <p><b>Mr McGlynn:</b> I suppose.</p> <p><b>Senator IAN MACDONALD:</b> I am sure it would have been very highly valued.</p> <p><b>Mr McGlynn:</b> I am not sure it is always seen that way. I would have to take that on notice. I believe back at the creation of ASBEC there may have been some government involvement, but I will need to go back and find out.</p>	EC86	26/09/12	11/10/12
101	1.2	ESPD	Birmingham	Solar Hot Water	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> ... But, in her absence, what has happened to this commitment from Mr Dreyfus to Senator Milne about the expenditure of these funds?</p>	EC87	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					<p><b>Senator Wong:</b> We will take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> ...</p> <p>Were there continued discussions, meetings or otherwise when it became apparent that the demand was not as had been forecast by the department?</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator Wong:</b> Look, I am going to take these matters pertaining to the discussions between one of the ministers I represent and the crossbenchers on notice, Senator.</p>			
102	1.2	ESPD	Birmingham	Renewable Energy Bonus Scheme – Solar Hot Water Rebate	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many applications were received in 2011-12 prior to 1 March 2012, and how many of these were approved?</li> <li>2. How many applications have been received on or since 1 March 2012, and how many of these have been approved?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
103	1.2	ESPD	Boswell	Charities Maritime and Aviation Support Program	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Can the Department provide a complete list of charities and not-for-profit organisations that will receive compensation, through the Charities Maritime and Aviation Support Program, for loss of revenue associated with reduced fuel excise rebates coming into effect from 1 July 2012?</li> <li>2. Can the Department confirm whether not-for-profit emergency maritime and aviation services – including Surf Life Saving Australia, Volunteer Marine Rescue associations, the Australian Volunteer Coast Guard, the Royal Flying Doctors Service and CareFlight – will be eligible for this grant?</li> <li>3. Will assistance granted through the Charities Maritime and Aviation Support program be a one-off payment, or will it be a payment every year or every month?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
104	1.2	ESPD	Birmingham	Home Insulation Program	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please itemise, by financial year, all expenditure to date on the Home Insulation Program (since its inception) and all associated safety and inspection programs, including total amounts expended and any amounts still budgeted. Please detail in a chart showing all programs, all years and totals to date plus totals still allocated.</li> <li>2. How much has been or will be spent under this program, and all associated programs, in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13?</li> <li>3. Please detail any debts waived under this program, and all associated programs, since inception – the number of debts waived, the total value of debts waived and the average length of time between the debt being incurred and waived.</li> <li>4. Please detail any outstanding debts under this program, and all associated programs – the number of debts outstanding, the total value of debts outstanding, the average length of time since the debts were incurred and steps taken to recover these debts.</li> </ol>	Written	10/10/12	11/10/12

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					5. In how many premises was insulation installed? How many of these installations required subsequent rectification work and/or removal?			
105	1.2	ESPD	Birmingham	HISP and FISP	For each of the Home Insulation Safety Program (HISP) and Foil Insulation Safety Program (FISP), over the life of each program: 1. How many inspections were carried out? At what total cost? 2. What has been the maximum cost of a single inspection? 3. How much was budgeted and spent on travel? 4. How many installations, and what percentage of installations, were identified as faulty as a result of the inspections? What, if any, other trends have been identified? 5. How many staff were employed? What were the numbers of permanent and contracted staff?	Written	15/10/12	01/11/12
106	1.2	LSB	Birmingham	Green Loans Program – Claims for Compensation	1. How many claims for compensation in relation to the Green Loans program has the Department received a) This financial year? b) Over the life of the program? 2. How many of these claims for compensation, and to what value, remain unresolved? 3. What has been the total value of compensation both claimed and paid?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
107	1.2	ESPD	Birmingham	Green Loans Program – Fraudulent Assessments	How many cases of fraudulent assessments under the Green Loans Program, over its life, have been identified by the Department? What actions have been taken in response to any fraudulent assessments having been identified?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
108	1.2	ESPD	Birmingham	Green Loans Program – Expenditure	How much has been or will be spent under this program, and any associated programs, in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
109	1.2	CSD	Birmingham	Green Loans Program – Debt	1. Please detail any debts waived under this program, and any associated programs, since inception – the number of debts waived, the total value of debts waived and the average length of time between the debt being incurred and waived. 2. Please detail any outstanding debts under this program, and any associated programs – the number of debts outstanding, the total value of debts outstanding, the average length of time since the debts were incurred and steps taken to recover these debts.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
110	Corp	ASCD	Macdonald	Communications	<b>Senator IAN MACDONALD:</b> I have a lot more questions but I only have one more, according to the chairman. Ms Sidhu, I will sneak in a question on notice. Can you can tell me what „communications“ means? If you are not going to be allowed to answer that, give it to me on notice, please.	EC96	20/07/12	23/08/12
111	1.3	ASCD	Milne	COAG	<b>Senator MILNE:</b> Maybe I could ask the minister. Is there any process through COAG to try to get some greater uniformity around the country on this question of an agreement about indemnifying to a degree or limit or whatever in relation to various states and local government? <b>Senator Wong:</b> Not that I am aware of specifically, but I can take that on notice	EC97	17/07/12	23/08/12

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					in terms of the various discussions. I do not recall in the context of the COAG that being on the agenda. I do not know if there is any other interjurisdictional ministerial council where this is being considered, but I will take it on notice.			
112	1.3	ASCD	Birmingham	Program Payments	<p>For each of the following programs, please detail all payments made in the financial year 2011-12. To what organisations or individuals was each payment made? Are payments made as lump sums or against specific milestones? Please detail what milestones or outcomes are expected from each grant?</p> <p>a) Australian Climate Change Science Program  b) Bilateral Climate Change Partnership Program  c) Climate Change Adaptation Program  d) Influencing International Climate Change  e) International Climate Change Adaptation Initiative  f) Local Adaptation Pathways Program</p>	Written	20/07/12 + 1 att't	23/08/12
113	1.4	ID	Milne	REDD – Papua New Guinea	<p><b>Senator MILNE:</b> Well, that is one way of dressing up a failure, I suppose. Can you tell me why the Australian REDD scheme in PNG was cancelled? Was that for the same reasons? Can you explain why there was no formal announcement when we pulled out of that? If the indigenous land tenure issues were not the main reason, what was? When did we pull out of the PNG project?</p> <p><b>Mr Comley:</b> I will have to take that on notice. I do not know off the top of my head.</p>	EC102	24/07/12	23/08/12
114	1.4	ID	Milne	REDD	<p><b>Senator MILNE:</b> I know that. What are the barriers that people are working on at the moment? What are the active areas of dispute in these international discussions on REDD? What are the obvious ones, or the most problematic ones?</p> <p><b>Mr Owen-Jones:</b> I am quite happy to come back with a more comprehensive answer to that, Senator.</p>	EC103	10/10/12	11/10/12
115	1.4	ID	Birmingham	East Timor	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Has the department put an estimate on the potential revenue from the development area?</p> <p><b>Mr Comley:</b> We have had discussions with Foreign Affairs and we have certainly had conversations with the project proponent, but to my knowledge we have not publicly made available an estimate of the impact of the carbon price.</p> <p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Could you just take on notice and check for me? If you have made it available somewhere such that I have not seen it, perhaps you could provide those details to me. But was this an issue that the department was aware of prior to the finalisation of the clean energy future legislation?</p> <p><b>Mr Comley:</b> I will take that on notice. Just to be helpful, my recollection is this is an issue that has been known going back as far as the CPRS.</p>	EC103	08/08/12	23/08/12
116	1.4	ID	Fisher	China – Five year plans	<p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> Do you talk about whether or not China achieves the targets that it puts in its five-year plans?</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> I am not sure if the document that you are referring to does, Senator. But I can provide some information about whether or not China met the</p>	EC104-105	20/07/12	23/08/12



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					<p>targets that it put in its 11th five-year plan.</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> Now?</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> I can do so in general terms and then check on the exact figures offline.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> Is it true that China actually consumed in that period 2.3 billion tonnes of coal in the fifth year?</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> I am not familiar with the specifics of the coal targets and projections that you are citing there, but I can certainly take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> If it were true, it would be the case that China consumed more than double its forecast estimate of coal in the fifth year of that particular five-year plan.</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> I am not familiar with the figures, Senator.</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> Can you on notice confirm whether that is the case or not?</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> Sure. I certainly can.</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> What about looking at the 2006-10 five-year plan where China forecast it would consume 2.5 billion tonnes of coal, again in the fifth year of the plan? Are you familiar with that goal?</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> Again, I can check those on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> If in fact China consumed 3.5 billion tonnes of coal in the fifth year of that plan—so that is 3.5 instead of 2.5; not as bad as the previous fifth year of the five-year plan, but it is something like a billion more tonnes than it forecast—perhaps you can confirm on notice or otherwise whether that is the case.</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> Sure. I would be happy to.</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> Thank you. Look at the decade to the end of 2010. Are you aware that China's five-year plan forecasts of coal were 3.6 billion tonnes but its actual use was 5.8 billion tonnes? So that is an overrun of 2.2 billion tonnes or nearly, as I understand it, seven times Australia's total coal output. That is just in the overrun.</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> Sorry, Senator. Would you like me to confirm that on notice as well?</p> <p><b>Senator FISHER:</b> Yes, I would. All of those figures have been drawn to my attention on good authority. Can the department explain how it is prudent or sensible to continue to publish with tones of approval China's five-year forecasts when it is obvious that it is not going to make the grade?</p> <p><b>Dr Banerjee:</b> Senator, perhaps I can make a couple of points about the metrics that are being discussed here without, as I say, being familiar with the specifics of the figures that you put. Firstly, there is the issue of what is projected to happen and what actually happens. As in any forecasting exercise, there is a projection and there is the actual and you compare one to the other. So, as you</p>			

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					say, it is a matter of looking at what actually happened and seeing how close it was to the original projection. I am happy to check those on notice. Secondly— <b>Senator FISHER:</b> And could you also let me know whether the department undertakes a uniform evaluation of commitment versus achievement? <b>Dr Banerjee:</b> Sure. I am happy to do that.			
117	1.4	ID	Fisher	China targets	<b>Senator FISHER:</b> Perhaps on notice you could refer to the specific figures that I have suggested to you. Can you confirm whether they are right or not? Then explain why the department thinks that that still means in one way or another China is meeting an acceptable target, be it through energy intensity—what was the terminology you were using?	EC106	20/07/12	23/08/12
118	1.4	ID	Rhiannon	REDD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Considering Australia's international obligations require all climate aid to be additional to development assistance have changes been made to how the REDD offset scheme is funded?</li> <li>2. If so what changes have been made to ensure that climate aid is separate from development assistance?</li> <li>3. If no change has been made does that mean that REDD projects continue to be funded from Aust's overseas development assistance program in full or in part?</li> <li>4. Considering the Australian REDD program with Indonesia failed to guarantee indigenous rights as required under the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [signed by Aust in April 2009] what steps has Australia taken to recognise the rights of indigenous people in Indonesia and in other countries where REDD programs are being funded by Australia?</li> <li>5. What involvement has the dept had in the implementation of the \$40m Aust funded project in Indonesia to build and create REDD schemes?</li> <li>6. Considering it is widely recognised that forestry ministries in Indonesia and PNG are among the most corrupt institutions in these countries what measures are taken to ensure transparency and accountability and minimise corrupt practices being incorporated in the local projects.?</li> <li>7. Has the government reassessed the value of REDD projects; has consideration been given to Aust taking responsibility for our own carbon emissions?</li> <li>8. Why was Aust's REDD scheme in PNG cancelled?</li> <li>9. Why was no formal announcement made when AusAID decided to pull out?</li> <li>10. What were the reasons for the pull out?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
119	1.1	CER	Boswell	Renewable Energy Target	<b>Senator BOSWELL:</b> I have some questions on renewable energy and MRETs and some calculators. The Productivity Commission estimates the cost of renewable energy to be \$4 billion stand-alone by 2020. What proportion of renewable electricity are we using in 2012? How much will that be ramped up in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2020? What is the percentage?	EC27	10/10/12	11/10/12

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					<b>Mr Livingston:</b> I have not got the exact numbers with me now, but we can provide those numbers.			
120	1.1	CER	Boswell	Renewable Energy Target	<b>Mr Comley:</b> Except you do not do that, because, again, there were the 15 million megawatt hours of pre-existing outside the scheme. So you take the number for the large scale, which would be 41 million, multiplied by the certificate price at the time, plus, if the small-scale certificates are still at \$40, \$40 times the projected amount for the small-scale certificates. This has all been produced in previous modelling reports. Mr Archer might want to comment on the nature of the report. We are certainly happy to, again, table that report that has the estimates. <b>Senator BOSWELL:</b> Could you table that report now? <b>Mr Comley:</b> It is available on the web and we have tabled it before, but we are happy to provide it again.	EC28	17/07/12	23/08/12
121	1.1	CER	Boswell	Renewable Energy Target & Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme	<b>Senator BOSWELL:</b> Can you give us an explanation of 2012 and 2013 and the extra amounts? I have not been able to copy it down. <b>Mr Livingston:</b> We can send you the targets for the RET, which go to 2020. And for the SRES we have the binding target for this year, which we can give you, and the non-binding estimate, which is on our website, for 2013 and 2014. Because of the way the act works, we do not go beyond 2014 with the SRES. So I can only go to 2014 with the SRES because the act does not require us to estimate beyond 2014.	EC31	11/10/12	01/11/12
122	1.1	CER	Birmingham	Peoplebank tenders	<b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Thank you. In regard to those specific Peoplebank tenders, as I said, there are three that I can identify in AusTender, each with an identical value of \$132,000 and each running for—give or take a day or two—a two-month period, ending before the end of this financial year. Are they each for the employment of just one person for that two-month period at \$132,000, or are you employing a team to do a specific job? <b>Ms Munro:</b> I think I will have to take that on notice in terms of whether each of those is for a separate individual or whether more than one individual is covered by those contracts. Basically, they would be arranged around a day rate. If I could take that on notice, I will get you the answer to that.	EC36	17/07/12	23/08/12
123	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – Hawker Britton	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
124	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – Shannon's Way	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
125	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – John Utting & UMR Research Group	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
126	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors –	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed McCann-Erickson in	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12

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				McCann-Erickson	any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details			
127	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – Cutting Edge	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
128	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – Ikon Communications	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
129	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – CMAX Communications	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
130	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – Boston Consulting Group	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
131	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – McKinsey & Company	For this financial year to date, has the CER ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
132	CER	CER	Fisher	Contractors – General	For this financial year to date, what contractors have been employed by the CER? Provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost)	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
133	CER	CER	Fisher	Social Media – CER	Has there been any changes to the CER's social media or protocols about staff access and usage of Youtube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since publication of the Australian Public Service Commission's Circular 2012/1: Revisions to the Commission's guidance on making public comment and participating online? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issue. If no, please explain why not.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
134	CER	CER	Fisher	Media Monitoring – CER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the CER for this financial year to date?</li> <li>2. Which agency or agencies provided these services?</li> <li>3. What is the estimated budget to provide these same services for the year 2012-13?</li> </ol>	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
135	CER	CER	Fisher	Consultancies – CER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.</li> <li>2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.</li> </ol>	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12

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136	CER	CER	Fisher	Hospitality and Entertainment – CER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the CER's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</li> <li>2. What hospitality spend is the CER planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</li> <li>3. What is the CER's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</li> <li>4. What entertainment spend is the CER planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</li> <li>5. Is the CER planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
137	CER	CER	Fisher	Advertising - CER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date?</li> <li>2. Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.</li> <li>3. Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</li> <li>4. Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</li> <li>5. Did the Advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Provide the details for each advertising item.</li> <li>6. Provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services.</li> <li>7. What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the CER undertaking, or are planning to undertake?</li> </ol>	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
138	CER	CER	Fisher	Staffing – Graduates – CER	What was the cost for recruiting 2012 Graduates? Please itemise and detail costs.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
139	CER	CER	Fisher	Staffing – Graduate Training – CER	Will there be any training after the 2012 Calendar year for 2012 Graduates? If yes, please detail costs and what the training is.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
140	CER	CER	Fisher	Staffing – SES – CER	Please list the SES positions have you in your agency this financial year to date. Identify the different levels and how many are permanent positions.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
141	CER	CER	Fisher	Staffing – CER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>2. How many non ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>3. This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
142	CER	CER	Fisher	Government Payment	For this financial year to date, has the CER paid its accounts to	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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				of Accounts – CER	<p>contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e.within 30 days)?</p> <p>2. If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached)</p> <p>3. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</p> <p>4. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>			
143	CER	CER	Fisher	Stationery Requirements – CER	<p>1. What is the CER's stationery costs for the financial year to date?</p> <p>2. What was the CER's stationery costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?</p>	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
144	CER	CER	Fisher	Media Subscriptions – CER	<p>1. Has there been any change to your pay TV subscription since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?</p> <p>a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.</p> <p>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</p> <p>2. Has there been any change to your newspaper subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?</p> <p>a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.</p> <p>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</p> <p>3. Has there been any change to your magazine subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?</p> <p>a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines.</p> <p>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</p>	Written	26/09/12	11/10/12
145	CER	CER	Fisher	Travel Costs – CER	<p>1. For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p> <p>2. For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
146	CER	CER	Fisher	Travel Policy – CER	<p>1. Are the Government's Lowest Practical Fare travel policy for Domestic Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/10) and Best Fare of the Day for International Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/11) guidelines being followed? How is this monitored? If the guidelines are not being followed, please explain why.</p> <p>2. Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					memberships. 3. When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel.			
147	CER	CER	Fisher	Legal Costs – CER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What sum did the CER spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</li> <li>2. What sum did the CER spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</li> <li>3. What sum did the CER spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</li> <li>4. What sum did each the CER spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
148	CER	CER	Fisher	Education Expenses – CER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What are the CER's guidelines on study? Please provide details.</li> <li>2. For this financial year to date, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the CER.</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
149	CER	CER	Fisher	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training – CER	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by the agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Total spending on these services</li> <li>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</li> <li>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>4. The names of all service providers engaged</li> </ol> <p>For each service purchased form a provider listed under 4., please provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</li> <li>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</li> <li>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification</li> <li>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>e) The total amount spent on the service</li> <li>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</li> </ol>	Written	30/07/12	23/08/12

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					Where a service was provided at any location other than the agency's own premises, please provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The location used</li> <li>ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>iv. Any costs the agency incurred to use the location</li> </ul>			
150	CER	CER	Fisher	Media Training – CER	In relation to media training services purchased by the agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Total spending on these services</li> <li>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</li> <li>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>4. The names of all service providers engaged</li> </ol> For each service purchased form a provider listed under 4., please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</li> <li>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</li> <li>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>e) The total amount spent on the service</li> <li>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</li> </ol> Where a service was provided at any location other than the agency's own premises, please provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The location used</li> <li>ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion</li> <li>iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>iv. Any costs the agency incurred to use the location</li> </ul>	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
151	CER	CER	Fisher	Paid Parental Leave – CER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please list how many staff in the agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?</li> <li>2. For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
152	CER	CER	Fisher	Corporate Cars – CER	Please update if there have been any changes since Additional Estimates 2011-12	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12



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					(February 2012): 1. How many cars are owned by the agency? 2. Where is the car/s located? 3. What is the car/s used for? 4. What is the cost of each car for this financial year to date? 5. How far did each car travel this financial year to date?			
153	CER	CER	Fisher	Taxi Costs – CER	1. How much did the CER spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in the agency. 2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
154	CER	CER	Fisher	Credit Cards - CER	Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. Please update if there have been any changes since Additional Estimates 2011-12 (February 2012): 1. What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? 2. How is corporate credit card use monitored? 3. What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? 4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. 5. What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
155	CER	CER	Fisher	Printing of Documents – CER	Does the CER print any hard copies of reports/statements/papers they produce? If yes, please list how many copies, where they are delivered and the cost.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
156	CER	CER	Fisher	Provision of Equipment – CER	Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive (not an inclusive list)) provided to CER staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
157	CER	CER	Fisher	Electricity Purchasing – CER	1. Provide an update of the CER's electricity purchasing agreement. Provide details of when this was entered into and the length of the agreement. 2. What were the CER's electricity costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11? 3. What are the CER's electricity costs for this financial year to date?	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
158	CER	CER	Fisher	Information for the Australian Greens – CER	Does the CER provide any information and/or undertake any requests for the Australian Greens? If yes, please provide the following information: 1. How is such work and/or information requests commissioned? 2. What work/information requests have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each work produced. 3. Has any such work and/or information requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details including what the work and/or information requests were and why it could not be undertaken. 4. How long is spent undertaking work and/or information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12

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159	CER	CER	Fisher	Information for the Independents – CER	Does the CER provide any information and/or undertake any requests for the Independents? If yes, please provide the following information: 1. How is such work and/or information requests commissioned? 2. What work/information requests have been undertaken? Provide details, including who the work/information was for and a copy of each work produced. 3. Has any such work and/or information requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details including what the work and/or information requests were, who they were from, who they were for and why it could not be undertaken. 4. How long is spent undertaken work and/or information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
160	CER	CER	Fisher	Shredders – CER	Has the CER purchased any shredders in the last 12 months? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
161	CER	CER	Di Natale	Access and Equity Strategy – CER	1. How does the CER ensure that the Government's Access and Equity Strategy is implemented in its entirety and in relation to all agency activities? How does the CER acknowledge the multicultural character of the Australian society, in terms of the services and programs you provide? 2. How do you measure your success against Access and Equity goals? What evidence do you that the CER is actively implementing the Government's Access & Equity policy? 3. What changes will you implement over the next financial year to ensure your programs and services are more accessible to Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities? 4. What is the CER doing to ensure it has a culturally competent workforce?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
162	CER	CER	Birmingham	Fees or Charges Collected by the Regulator	What fees or charges does the Regulator collect? By each fee or charge, please detail who pays it and, where applicable and whether or not previously collected by another agency, how these fees or charges have changed or might change between 2011-12 and 2012-13?	Written	10/10/12	11/10/12
163	CER	CER	Birmingham	Renewable Energy Certificates	1. How many Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs), expressed both as a number and a percentage, have been invalidated in financial year 2011/12 to date? 2. On what grounds were they invalidated? 3. How many companies have been involved and what action has been taken against them? 4. What regulatory or inspection measures have been taken by the Regulator regarding invalid RECs? 5. What data does the Regulator have on any compliance problems it has	Written	11/10/12	01/11/12

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					uncovered or identified? What steps are being taken to ensure greater compliance? 6. Has any rectification work been required to be undertaken?			
164	CER	CER	Birmingham	Renewable Energy Target	<p>1. How many Small-scale Technology Certificates (STCs) were created, and validated, for each quarter of 2010-11 and 2011-12? How many STCs are expected or forecast to be created, and validated, for each quarter of 2012-13?</p> <p>2. How many STCs were surrendered by RET liable entities for each quarter of 2010-11 and 2011-12? How many STCs are expected or forecast to be surrendered by RET liable entities for each quarter of 2012-13?</p> <p>3. For each quarter of 2010-11 and 2011-12, how many STCs were offered for sale through the STC Clearing House (that is, how many STCs joined the STC Clearing House)? How many STCs are expected or forecast to be offered for sale through the STC Clearing House for each quarter of 2012-13?</p> <p>4. At a point in time at the end of each quarter of 2010-11 and 2011-12, how many STCs were on offer through the STC Clearing House (that is, how many STCs in the STC Clearing House in total)? How many STCs are expected or forecast to be on offer through the STC Clearing House at the end of each quarter of 2012-13?</p> <p>5. For each quarter of 2010-11 and 2011-12, how many STCs were sold or transferred through the STC Clearing House and how many STCs were withdrawn for sale from the STC Clearing House? How many STCs are expected or forecast to be sold or transferred through the STC Clearing House for each quarter of 2012-13 and how many are expected or forecast to be withdrawn for sale from the STC Clearing House?</p> <p>6. What monitoring is undertaken by the Regulator of spot prices, averaged or otherwise, for STCs outside of the STC Clearing House? What trends and notable occurrences have been observed, whether by the Clean Energy Regulator or the Office of the Renewable Energy Regulator, in 2010-11 and 2011-12 in relation to spot prices for STCs outside of the STC Clearing House?</p>	Written	11/10/12	01/11/12
165	LCAL	LCAL	Birmingham	Direct loans – completed projects	<p><b>Senator BIRMINGHAM:</b> Can I go to your particular loans then. You have two types of loans, as I understand: the indirect and the direct loans, as we have discussed previously. You have provided some information there. In terms of the direct loans, is it still the case you have completed four projects?</p> <p><b>Ms McDonald:</b> I will have to take on notice the actual number. I can give you the total funds we have contracted and the total that we have got under negotiation, but I do not have a breakdown of the two.</p>	EC70	20/07/12	23/08/12
166	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – Hawker Britton	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12

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167	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – Shannon's Way	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
168	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – John Utting & UMR Research Group	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
169	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – McCann-Erickson	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
170	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – Cutting Edge	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
171	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – Ikon Communications	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
172	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – CMAX Communications	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
173	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – Boston Consulting Group	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
174	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – McKinsey & Company	For this financial year to date, has LCAL ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.	Written	29/06/12	23/08/12
175	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Contractors – General	For this financial year to date, what contractors have been employed by LCAL? Provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost)	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
176	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Social Media – LCAL	Has there been any changes to LCAL's social media or protocols about staff access and usage of Youtube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since publication of the Australian Public Service Commission's Circular 2012/1: Revisions to the Commission's guidance on making public comment and participating online? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issue. If no, please explain why not.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
177	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Media Monitoring – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to LCAL for this financial year to date?</li> <li>2. Which agency or agencies provided these services?</li> <li>3. What is the estimated budget to provide these same services for the year 2012-13?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
178	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Consultancies – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					(ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies. 2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.			
179	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Hospitality and Entertainment – LCAL	1. What is LCAL's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. 2. What hospitality spend is LCAL planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. 3. What is LCAL's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. 4. What entertainment spend is LCAL planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. 5. Is LCAL planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
180	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Advertising - LCAL	1. What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date? 2. Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services. 3. Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item. 4. Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item. 5. Did the Advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Provide the details for each advertising item. 6. Provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services. 7. What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the LCAL undertaking, or are planning to undertake?	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
181	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Staffing – Graduates – LCAL	What was the cost for recruiting 2012 Graduates? Please itemise and detail costs.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
182	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Staffing – Graduate Training – LCAL	Will there be any training after the 2012 Calendar year for 2012 Graduates? If yes, please detail costs and what the training is.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
183	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Staffing – SES – LCAL	Please list the SES positions have you in your agency this financial year to date. Identify the different levels and how many are permanent positions.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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184	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Staffing – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>2. How many non ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>3. This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
185	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Government Payment of Accounts – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For this financial year to date, has LCAL paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)?</li> <li>2. If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached)</li> <li>3. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</li> <li>4. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
186	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Stationery Requirements – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is LCAL's stationery costs for the financial year to date?</li> <li>2. What was LCAL's stationery costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
187	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Media Subscriptions – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Has there been any change to your pay TV subscription since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.</li> <li>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Has there been any change to your newspaper subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.</li> <li>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Has there been any change to your magazine subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines.</li> <li>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
188	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Travel Costs – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</li> <li>2. For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</li> </ol>	Written	03/08/12	23/08/12

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189	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Travel Policy – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Are the Government's Lowest Practical Fare travel policy for Domestic Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/10) and Best Fare of the Day for International Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/11) guidelines being followed? How is this monitored? If the guidelines are not being followed, please explain why.</li> <li>2. Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships.</li> <li>3. When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel.</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
190	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Legal Costs – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What sum did LCAL spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</li> <li>2. What sum did LCAL spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</li> <li>3. What sum did LCAL spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</li> <li>4. What sum did each LCAL spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
191	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Education Expenses – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What are the LCAL's guidelines on study? Please provide details.</li> <li>2. For this financial year to date, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the LCAL.</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
192	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training – LCAL	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by the agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Total spending on these services</li> <li>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</li> <li>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>4. The names of all service providers engaged</li> </ol> <p>For each service purchased from a provider listed under 4., please provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</li> <li>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification</li> <li>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>e) The total amount spent on the service</li> <li>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</li> </ul> <p>Where a service was provided at any location other than the agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The location used</li> <li>ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>iv. Any costs the agency incurred to use the location</li> </ul>			
193	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Media Training – LCAL	<p>In relation to media training services purchased by the agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Total spending on these services</li> <li>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</li> <li>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>4. The names of all service providers engaged</li> </ul> <p>For each service purchased from a provider listed under 4., please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</li> <li>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</li> <li>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>e) The total amount spent on the service</li> <li>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</li> </ul> <p>Where a service was provided at any location other than the agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The location used</li> <li>ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion</li> <li>iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>iv. Any costs the agency incurred to use the location</li> </ul>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12



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194	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Paid Parental Leave – LCAL	<p>1. Please list how many staff in the agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?</p> <p>2. For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?</p> <p>Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
195	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Corporate Cars – LCAL	<p>Please update if there have been any changes since Additional Estimates 2011-12 (February 2012):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many cars are owned by the agency?</li> <li>Where is the car/s located?</li> <li>What is the car/s used for?</li> <li>What is the cost of each car for this financial year to date?</li> <li>How far did each car travel this financial year to date?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
196	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Taxi Costs – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much did LCAL spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in the agency.</li> <li>What are the reasons for taxi costs?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
197	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Credit Cards - LCAL	<p>Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.</p> <p>Please update if there have been any changes since Additional Estimates 2011-12 (February 2012):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused?</li> <li>How is corporate credit card use monitored?</li> <li>What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered?</li> <li>Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.</li> <li>What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
198	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Printing of Documents – LCAL	Does LCAL print any hard copies of reports/statements/papers they produce? If yes, please list how many copies, where they are delivered and the cost.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
199	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Provision of Equipment – LCAL	Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive (not an inclusive list)) provided to LCAL staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
200	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Electricity Purchasing – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide an update of LCAL's electricity purchasing agreement. Provide details of when this was entered into and the length of the agreement.</li> <li>What were the LCAL's electricity costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?</li> <li>What are the LCAL's electricity costs for this financial year to date?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
201	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Information for the Australian Greens – LCAL	<p>Does LCAL provide any information and/or undertake any requests for the Australian Greens? If yes, please provide the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How is such work and/or information requests commissioned?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. What work/information requests have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each work produced.</li> <li>3. Has any such work and/or information requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details including what the work and/or information requests were and why it could not be undertaken.</li> <li>4. How long is spent undertaking work and/or information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</li> </ol>			
202	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Information for the Independents – LCAL	<p>Does LCAL provide any information and/or undertake any requests for the Independents? If yes, please provide the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How is such work and/or information requests commissioned?</li> <li>2. What work/information requests have been undertaken? Provide details, including who the work/information was for and a copy of each work produced.</li> <li>3. Has any such work and/or information requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details including what the work and/or information requests were, who they were from, who they were for and why it could not be undertaken.</li> <li>4. How long is spent undertaken work and/or information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
203	LCAL	LCAL	Fisher	Shredders – LCAL	<p>Has LCAL purchased any shredders in the last 12 months? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.</p>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
204	LCAL	LCAL	Di Natale	Access and Equity Strategy – LCAL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How does LCAL ensure that the Government's Access and Equity Strategy is implemented in its entirety and in relation to all agency activities? How does the LCAL acknowledge the multicultural character of the Australian society, in terms of the services and programs you provide?</li> <li>2. How do you measure your success against Access and Equity goals? What evidence do you that LCAL is actively implementing the Government's Access &amp; Equity policy?</li> <li>3. What changes will you implement over the next financial year to ensure your programs and services are more accessible to Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities?</li> <li>4. What is LCAL doing to ensure it has a culturally competent workforce?</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12
205	1.4	ID	Kroger	Projects funded through AusAID	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approximately \$13 million was appropriated through AusAID for the Pacific Climate Change Science and Adaptation Planning Program (PACCSAP) in 2011-12. How much will be appropriated for PACCSAP for 2012-13?</li> <li>2. When a project is funded by AusAID (e.g. PACCSAP) but managed by the</li> </ol>	Written	20/07/12	23/08/12

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					Department of Climate Change, what is the formal process for reporting to AusAID how the funds have been spent and how effective the project has been?			
206	1.4	ID	Kroger	Ambassador for Climate Change	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Where is the ambassador's office located?</li> <li>2. How many staff is the ambassador permitted? How many staff does the ambassador have?</li> <li>3. Where have the former and current ambassadors travelled this financial year and at what cost?</li> <li>4. How many staff accompany the ambassador on travel?</li> <li>5. What forums have the former and current ambassador attended this financial year?</li> <li>6. What outcomes has the ambassador (former and current) achieved this year?</li> <li>7. Does the new ambassador have formal scientific training? Did his predecessor have formal scientific training?</li> </ol>	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12
207	1.1	LD	Edwards	Carbon Farming Initiative Handbook	<p>With reference to the Carbon Farming Initiative Handbook - Avoiding negative outcomes and supporting co-benefits: "First, projects must comply with the water, planning and environment requirements of all levels of government, and obtain all necessary approvals." (p 13)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Describe this process for a land owner looking to carry out a carbon abatement project on their land list, the types of approvals that would have to be undertaken.</li> <li>2. Has the cost been estimated for a land owner to receive all of the necessary approvals?</li> <li>3. Will NRM Boards or another tier of government be bringing together all of the necessary approvals required to gain approval to make this easier for land owners/farmers? If not, why not? Is this something the Department would consider doing?</li> <li>4. How does the 'negative list' take account of regional variation? (i.e. what might be environmentally acceptable in one region is not in another)</li> </ol>	Written	03/08/12	23/08/12
208	1.1	ASCD	Edwards	Regional Natural Resource Management Planning for Climate Change Fund	<p>With reference to the Regional Natural Resource Management (NRM) Planning for Climate Change Fund:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Who will be eligible for Stream 2 funding?</li> <li>2. How will it be allocated to applicants?</li> <li>3. How will it be allocated over the 5 year period?</li> <li>4. When will funding become available?</li> </ol>	Written	17/07/12	23/08/12