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Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

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Communications Portfolio

NBN Co Limited

Question No: 183

Program No. NBN Co

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Topic: Consultancies

Senator Ruston asked:

1. How many external consultants were under contract to NBN Co Limited during the 2012-2013 financial year? What was the total cost of those consultants during the same time period?
2. How many staff were employed by NBN Co prior to the election? Did the 2012-15 corporate plan project that there would be more than 2,860 employees?

Answer:

1. There were a total of 145 consultants under contract to NBN Co. during the 2012-2013 financial year. The total value incurred for consultancies from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 was \$44.2m.
2. The 2012-15 Corporate Plan projected a 2,900 headcount by 30 June 2013.