

**ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 19 NOVEMBER 2013**

**COMMUNICATIONS PORTFOLIO**

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1	Program 1.2	Lundy	List of grants	<p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Yes. Are you able to provide me with a list of the contracts that were foreshadowed but not signed—I should clarify this—at the point at which we entered caretaker or at the point at which the election was actually conducted?</p> <p><b>Mr Clarke:</b> The request for the list I will take on notice. Can you perhaps clarify the terms that we should be attempting to respond on—a list of grants?</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> A list of grants that were foreshadowed but that have been set aside or paused in advance of the government's considerations about whether or not they are going to honour the previous government's funding commitment.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 102		
2	Corporate	Urquhart	Incoming Minister brief 2010	<p><b>ACTING CHAIR:</b> Thank you for that. Can you advise whether the incoming minister brief in 2010 was released?</p> <p><b>Mr Clarke:</b> I was not secretary in this department in 2010, but I am aware that, at that election, quite a few redacted—not whole but redacted—versions of incoming briefs were indeed released. As I said this morning, however, I was very conscious of that in the consideration in this election cycle. There have been two very important decisions by the Information Commissioner in the intervening years supporting the proposition that those briefs can be treated as exempt in whole.</p> <p><b>ACTING CHAIR:</b> Given that you were not the secretary back then, can I ask you to follow that up and see whether it or not it was released? Or is there someone who can—</p> <p><b>Mr Clarke:</b> I will certainly take it on notice. I expect that it is available on our website, but I am happy to take it on notice for the record.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 104		
3	Program 1.2	Lundy	Grants – Digital Economy	<p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> This is a little bit out of context but goes back to earlier questions. There was a document tabled in the Senate that contained a list of grants in the digital economy space by the minister, Mr Turnbull. I do not have it with me; I am trying to get it brought up at the moment, but I think I am going to run out of time.</p> <p><b>Senator Birmingham:</b> This would be the usual return to order in compliance with Senate requests to government?</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> That is correct. I am just curious, because when I saw that document it clearly said all the grants on that list were approved, and I just want you to take it on notice if you do not mind, Mr Clarke, to reconcile that tabled list of grants approved with your current considerations about grants that may not have been contracted formally prior to whatever that appropriate point in time was prior to the election.</p> <p><b>Mr Clarke:</b> Thank you. I will take that on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 106		
4	Corporate	Urquhart	FOI	Has the Department been asked by the Minister or the Minister's office for any advice about whether the Minister can elect to release the Incoming Government Brief at his own volition, rather than merely rely upon the FOI process?	In Writing		

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5	Corporate	Ludwig	Reviews	<p>1) Since 7 September 2013, how many new Reviews have been commenced? Please list them including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. the date they were ordered</li> <li>b. the date they commenced</li> <li>c. the minister responsible</li> <li>d. the department responsible</li> <li>e. the nature of the review</li> <li>f. their terms of reference</li> <li>g. the scope of the review</li> <li>h. Whom is conducting the review</li> <li>i. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review</li> <li>j. the expected report date</li> <li>k. If the report will be tabled in parliament or made public</li> </ol> <p>2) For any review commenced or ordered since 7 September 2013, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names</li> <li>b. If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent</li> <li>c. If yes, for each what are the costs associated with their involvement, broken down to each cost item</li> <li>d. If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement</li> <li>e. If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.</li> <li>f. If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them</li> <li>g. If yes, for each, who selected them</li> <li>h. If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them, <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. If yes, please detail what involvement it was</li> <li>ii. If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list</li> <li>iii. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur</li> <li>iv. If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department</li> <li>v. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p>3) Since 7 September 2013, what reviews are on-going? Please list them.</p> <p>4) Since 7 September 2013, have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.</p> <p>5) Since Budget estimates, what reviews have concluded? Please list them.</p> <p>6) Since 7 September 2013, how many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided.</p> <p>7) When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been</p>	In Writing		

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				completed? 8) What reviews are planned? a. When will each planned review be commenced? b. When will each of these reviews be concluded? c. When will government respond to each review? d. Will the government release each review? i. If so, when? ii. If not, why not?			
6	Corporate	Ludwig	Commissioned reports	a) Since 7 September 2013, how many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. b) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level? c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?	In Writing		
7	Corporate	Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. 2. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information? 3. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned?	In Writing		

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				<p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information?</p>			
8	Corporate	Ludwig	Appointments	<p>a) Provide an update of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members.</p> <p>b) What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?</p> <p>c) Please detail any board appointments made from 7 September to date</p>	In Writing		
9	Corporate	Ludwig	Stationery requirements – Ministerial	How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio from 7 September 2013 to date?	In Writing		
10	Corporate	Ludwig	Media subscriptions	<p>1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
11	Corporate	Ludwig	Media Monitoring – Minister's Office	<p>What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</p> <p>c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		

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12	Corporate	Ludwig	Media Monitoring	<p>What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</p> <p>c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
13	Corporate	Ludwig	Media training	<p>1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date:</p> <p>a) Total spending on these services</p> <p>b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>c) 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>d) The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>2. 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>3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>a) The location used</p> <p>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>	In Writing		
14	Corporate	Ludwig	Communications Staff	<p>1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:</p> <p>By Department or agency:</p> <p>a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>d) How many are graphic designers?</p> <p>e) How many are media managers?</p>	In Writing		

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				f) How many organise events? 2. Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?			
15	Corporate	Ludwig	Provision of equipment – Minister’s Office	a) 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? b) For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs from 7 September 2013 to date? c) Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.	In Writing		
16	Corporate	Ludwig	Provision of equipment	Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency 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.	In Writing		
17	Corporate	Ludwig	Travel Costs – Minister’s Office	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).	In Writing		
18	Corporate	Ludwig	Travel Costs	a) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental/agency 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). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. b) What travel is planned for the rest of this financial year from 7 September 2013? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. c) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. d) What is the policy for business class airfare tickets? e) 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. f) 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. g) Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?	In Writing		
19	Corporate	Ludwig	Grants	a) Could the department/agency provide an update list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants from 7 September 2013 to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.	In Writing		

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				<p>b) Have all grant agreement details been published on its website</p> <p>c) Please list all grants that were approved prior to 7 September 2013, but did not have financial contracts in place on 7 September 2013. Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants. Please lists which grant applicants had been contacted advising of their success. Please provide the current status of these grants. Have any of these grants been cancelled, paused, discontinued or cut?</p>			
20	Corporate	Ludwig	Government payment of accounts	<p>a) From 7 September 2013 to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)?</p> <p>b) 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>c) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</p> <p>d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>	In Writing		
21	Corporate	Ludwig	Consultancies	<p>a) How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 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.</p> <p>b) 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.</p>	In Writing		
22	Corporate	Ludwig	Meeting costs	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	In Writing		
23	Corporate	Ludwig	Meeting costs - Ministerial	<p>a) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	In Writing		
24	Corporate	Ludwig	Hospitality and Entertainment – Minister's Office	<p>a) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p>			
25	Corporate	Ludwig	Hospitality and Entertainment	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>e) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are they?</p>	In Writing		
26	Corporate	Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	<p>1. Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>2. Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>3. Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>4. Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much?</p> <p>5. Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p>	In Writing		
27	Corporate	Ludwig	Ministerial office security classifications	<p>1) What is the policy for ministerial staff security clearances?</p> <p>2) How many staffers employed by the government under the MOPS Act have security clearances?</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. At what level?</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. If not, why not?</p> <p>3) How many seconded departmental officers acting in ministerial offices, including DLOs have security clearances?</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. At what level?</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. If not, why not?</p>	In Writing		



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28	Corporate	Ludwig	Executive coaching and leadership training	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 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> <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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The location used</li> <li>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	In Writing		
29	Corporate	Ludwig	Staffing reductions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?</li> <li>b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</li> <li>c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</li> <li>d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</li> <li>e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</li> </ol>	In Writing		
30	Corporate	Ludwig	Staffing cessations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</li> <li>b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</li> </ol>	In Writing		
31	Corporate	Ludwig	Staffing recruitment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to</li> </ol>	In Writing		

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				date? What classification are these staff? c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?			
32	Corporate	Ludwig	Coffee machines	1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since 7 September 2013? a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased? b) Why were coffee machines purchased? c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from? e) Who has access? f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee? 2. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage? a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. b) Why are coffee machines rented? c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from? e) Who has access? f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?	In Writing		
33	Corporate	Ludwig	Printing	How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed from 7 September 2013 to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	In Writing		
34	Corporate	Ludwig	Corporate Cars	a) How cars are owned by each department/agency? b) Where is the car/s located? c) What is the car/s used for? d) What is the cost of each car from 7 September 2013 to date? e) How far did each car travel from 7 September 2013 to date?	In Writing		
35	Corporate	Ludwig	Taxi costs	a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.	In Writing		

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				b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?			
36	Corporate	Ludwig	Hire cars	a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?	In Writing		
37	Corporate	Ludwig	Credit cards	<u>Credit cards</u> 1. Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. 2. Please update details of the following? a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? b) How is corporate credit card use monitored? c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	In Writing		
38	Corporate	Ludwig	Electricity purchasing	<u>Electricity purchasing</u> a) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? b) What are the department/agency electricity costs from 7 September 2013 to date?	In Writing		
39	Corporate	Ludwig	Ministerial briefing	1) Does the department provide a regular briefing to the Minister on the activities of the department and/or any upcoming issues and/or any upcoming matters to come before the Minister? 2) In what form does that occur? 3) On what basis is that provided? 4) What title is this briefing given?	In Writing		
40	Corporate	Ludwig	Departmental senate estimates briefing	1) How many officers were responsible for preparing the Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of senate estimates? 2) How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information? a. Please break down the hours by officer APS classification 3) Were drafts shown to the Minister or their office before senate estimates? a. If so, when did this occur? b. How many versions of this information were shown to the minister or their office? 4) Did the minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information? a. If so, when did this occur? b. What officer hours were spent on making these edits? Please break down the hours by officer APS classification. c. When were the changes made?	In Writing		
41	Corporate	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	1) Can the department please outline the process it under goes to assess Freedom of Information requests? 2) Does the department consult or inform the Minister when it receives Freedom of	In Writing		

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				<p>Information requests?</p> <p>a. If so, when?</p> <p>b. If so, how does this occur?</p> <p>3) Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when it receives Freedom of Information requests?</p> <p>a. If so, which departments or agencies?</p> <p>b. If so, when?</p> <p>c. If so, how does this occur?</p> <p>4) Does the department consult or inform the Minister when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request?</p> <p>a. If so, when?</p> <p>b. If so, how does this occur?</p> <p>5) Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request?</p> <p>a. If so, which departments or agencies?</p> <p>b. If so, when?</p> <p>c. If so, how does this occur?</p> <p>6) What resources does the department commit to its Freedom of Information team?</p> <p>7) List the staffing resources by APS level assigned solely to Freedom of Information requests</p> <p>8) List the staffing resources by APS level assigned indirectly to Freedom of Information requests</p> <p>9) Does the department ever second additional resources to processing Freedom of Information requests?</p> <p>a. If so, please detail those resources by APS level</p> <p>10) How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the department?</p> <p>a. How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013?</p> <p>11) How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Minister's office?</p> <p>a. How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013?</p> <p>12) Of the officers that are designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Ministers office, how many are seconded officers from the department?</p> <p>13) What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the department?</p> <p>a. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received formal training?</p>			

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received informal training?</li> <li>c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training?</li> <li>d. What did the training involve?</li> <li>e. How long was the training?</li> <li>f. By whom was the training conducted?</li> </ul> <p>14) What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the Minister's office, excluding those officers on secondment from the department?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received formal training?</li> <li>b. Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received informal training?</li> <li>c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training?</li> <li>d. What did the training involve?</li> <li>e. How long was the training?</li> <li>f. By whom was the training conducted?</li> </ul>			
42	Corporate	Ludwig	Functions – Ministerial	<p>1) Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister. Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The guest list of each function</li> <li>b) The party or individual who initiated the request for the function</li> <li>c) The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function</li> <li>d) A list of drinks consumed at the function</li> </ul> <p>2) Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office</p>	In Writing		
43	Legal	Ludlam	Convergence review and deregulation	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> But deregulation is quite clearly the overarching principle. Senator Fifield, is relaxation or restructure of cross-media ownership laws on the table?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> I do not have anything to add to what the secretary has said.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> The secretary does not have visibility. These are political decisions—it is not really within his ambit to have opinions; it is within yours.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> As the minister representing the minister for communications, I do not have anything further to add.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Would you take that on notice for me, Senator Fifield.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> Sure.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> The specific question I am asking you to take on notice is whether cross-media ownership laws are on the table as part of your deregulation agenda. Thanks for letting us run a little over, Chair.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 9		
44	Legal	Ludwig	Red tape	1) Please detail what structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes	In Writing		

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			reduction	<p>has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets?</p> <p>2) What is the progress of that red tape reduction target</p> <p>3) How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level?</p> <p>4) How have they been recruited?</p> <p>5) What process was used for their appointment?</p> <p>6) What is the total cost of this unit?</p> <p>7) Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents?</p> <p>8) Lease list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body.</p>			
45	Program 1.1	Pratt	Infrastructure providers of mobile services	<p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> How many infrastructure providers of mobile services are there in Australia?</p> <p><b>Mr Heazlett:</b> There are three providers of mobile services currently in Australia using their own infrastructure.</p> <p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> It is good to clarify that, because there are lots of people—</p> <p><b>Mr Heazlett:</b> Virtual mobile network operators.</p> <p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> Yes. What is the coverage of each of these networks, measured by population and land mass?</p> <p><b>Mr Heazlett:</b> We would have to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> Please do. You are welcome to just comment on this generally: how much do these networks overlap, and in what areas specifically would there be coverage by Optus or Vodafone without coverage being provided by Telstra? In fact, I am very keen to know the answer to this, because getting coverage around the country is an issue.</p> <p><b>Mr Heazlett:</b> Without having all the precise detail in front of me, based on our experience there would be quite rare instances where Optus and Vodafone had coverage where Telstra did not. Typically, Optus coverage tends to be a subset of Telstra's and Vodafone's is a subset further of that.</p> <p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> How much has been invested in these mobile networks by the three operators?</p> <p><b>Senator Birmingham:</b> I imagine that is commercial information, Senator Pratt.</p> <p><b>Mr Heazlett:</b> To the extent we can identify it readily, we will take it on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 98-99		
46	Program 1.1	Urquhart	Review of broadband quality and availability	<p>Which providers have been asked to provide data to inform the review of broadband quality and availability? For each provider;</p> <p>a. When was the provider asked for the data?</p> <p>b. When did the provider provide the requested data?</p> <p>c. What data were they asked to provide?</p>	In Writing		
47	Program 1.1	Urquhart	Cost-benefit analysis	<p>Has the Department prepared an estimate of the cost of undertaking the independent cost-benefit analysis and regulation review of the NBN? If so, what is the estimate? Where will the resources for the review come from? Apart from any panel appointed to undertake the review, will external advisers be engaged to assist them with that review? How will these advisers be selected?</p>	In Writing		

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48	Program 1.1	Urquhart	Strategic review	Will NBN Co or the Department be responsible for combining the advice from the strategic review, the broadband adequacy review and the cost-benefit analysis into one consolidated view of the full implications of alternative approaches to delivering high speed broadband? When do you expect that advice will be provided to Government?	In Writing		
49	Program 1.2	Lundy	e-Government	<p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> The new government's policy documents largely pointed to the National Digital Economy Strategy as being their basis, so I am very keen to explore, of the National Digital Economy Strategy, what will continue in its current form—and indeed what, if anything, has changed with the new government coming in.</p> <p><b>Mr Clarke:</b> I understand your question and it should be possible in due course to give you an accurate reconciliation, in essence, of it. But we are not able to give it to you at this estimates hearing because we are still working through the process of implementation plans for the incoming government's policy. When that has been decided and when the detailed implementation is worked through and announced, we will be in a position to give you that reconciliation.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Thank you for taking that on notice. Could you provide it so that the program description of the previous government is effectively matched up with whatever is replacing it or it is set out whether it is continuing—so it is really clear.</p> <p><b>Mr Clarke:</b> Yes, I will seek to be as clear as I can be.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 101		
50	Australia Post	Cameron	Proposal to the Commission of audit	<p><b>Senator CAMERON:</b> Yes, I do not want to hear that again, quite frankly. I have heard it every time you have been here. I do not want to go down that track again. I just want to ask you one last question: can you provide any correspondence between you and the—oh, yes. Can you just provide the committee with an overview of what you intend to put to the commission of audit—both the strengths and weaknesses of your proposal, why you think it is important to put something to the commission of audit, how detailed that would be and how you would ensure integration of technology. I may have other questions on notice.</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> Okay, I will take that on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 13		
51	Australia Post	Macdonald	Australia Post investment in QLD	<p><b>Senator IAN MACDONALD:</b> Mr Fahour, in the October 2012 estimates you told me that \$2 billion was being invested in Australia Post and 'a sizeable component' would be spent in Queensland—I quote you—and on North Queensland parcel processing. You told me in a written answer to a question from the May 2013 budget estimates that \$739.7 million of the \$2 billion had been spent. Can you tell me how much of the balance of the \$2 billion is being spent in Queensland and, in particular, what is being spent on expanding your parcel-processing capability in North Queensland, which you told me in October 2012 you were going to do.</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> I am happy to take that on notice and give you the specific details on the questions you ask.</p> <p><b>Senator IAN MACDONALD:</b> Okay. Let me be more specific. You also said the Rockhampton Mail Centre 'did not receive any significant funding' under the \$2 billion funding program. What funding did it receive?</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> To give you the exact amount, we will go back and collect those records of</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 13		

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				what was spent on the Rockhampton Mail Centre and put that back to you in writing.			
52	Australia Post	Boswell	Terminated licences	<p><b>Senator BOSWELL:</b> How many people have had their licences terminated?</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> What do you mean by 'terminated'?</p> <p><b>Senator BOSWELL:</b> By Australia Post saying, 'We don't want you to be our representative,' and terminating their agreement.</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> I am not aware personally of any, but I am more than happy to take that on notice and come back to you. But I will say to you this: the fact that I am not aware of any would indicate that there are not that many, if there are any at all.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 16		
53	Australia Post	Xenophon	LPO's	<p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> Can you tell me how many LPOs have requested a renegotiation because of the volume of parcels they are getting and how many have actually got an increased amount?</p> <p><b>Ms Corbett:</b> I can get that figure for you. I do not have that with me.</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> I suggest to you that LPOs have told me that they are told to basically go away when they have sought an increase.</p> <p><b>Ms Corbett:</b> That is not correct. I am aware of a number of licensees that have come to Australia Post and have actually requested a look at and review of that negotiated—</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> Right. Can you tell me on notice—we have an inquiry coming up—how many requests there were for an increase and how many of those requests were accepted to the extent of the increase or partially accepted?</p> <p><b>Ms Corbett:</b> Certainly.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 22		
54	Australia Post	Xenophon	LPO's	<p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> I might foreshadow that I, for one, will be asking for the consultative agreement between POAAL and Australia Post to be made available to the committee. There might be some negotiations as to whether it ought to be in camera. I go to the issue of the LPO11 forms. That relates to disputes. Can you on notice advise me how many LPO forms were lodged in the 2012-2013 financial year and how many have been lodged since 1 July this year to yesterday's date?</p> <p><b>Ms Corbett:</b> Certainly. I am happy to take that on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 23		
55	Australia Post	Pratt	Delivery Standard	<p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> Can you provide me with an outline of how that delivery standard is measured.</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> Our community service obligation is multi-faceted. I will get our corporate secretary to give you the essential five key points. But let me mention to you very quickly the three that come to my head: 98 per cent of homes, five days a week; our letter service standard is to be 94 per cent nationwide; and, we would have 4,000 access points. The fourth one is: 10,000 street postal boxes. The fifth one escapes me for the moment. We can give you the last one later, but those four are the really important ones. I am really pleased that we have met every single one of the ones I have just outlined.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 26		
56	Australia Post	Pratt	Messenger Post contractors	<p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> I am interested in how many Messenger Post contractors have resigned their contract prior to expiry in 2012-13 financial year.</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> I can take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> How many also chose not to renew their contract during the 2012-13</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 28		



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				<p>financial year?</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> Again, I will take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> What does Messenger Post know about why contractors chose to terminate their contracts before the contracts' expiry, and does Messenger Post conduct any exit surveys for Messenger Post contractors when they finish their contract? I would be interested in the findings of any of those surveys.</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> Okay.</p> <p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> Are you able to advise us of the average length of time a mail contractor stays as a contractor with Australia Post?</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> I will take those all on notice and provide you the specific answers to your questions.</p>			
57	Australia Post	Pratt	Dog attack risks	<p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> Do you work at all with other agencies that offer similar kinds of services—people who check power meters and things like that, who face similar risks? Are you working across businesses and agencies in managing any of those issues?</p> <p><b>Ms Walsh:</b> I am happy to take that question on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 29		
58	Australia Post	Pratt	Contractors	<p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> I am little unclear as to whether that means people are paid extra for weekend work or not. Are you saying that you are unclear and it is whatever is in the contract?</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> I am saying whatever is in the contract makes arrangements to ensure that we meet the requirements of the law and that we pay the correct rates, but I am happy, if you would like to get the specifics, to take that on notice and come back to you with how we go about these arrangements and indicate what the weekend is versus weekdays. I might add that our employees love the opportunity coming into Christmas to earn a bit of extra money at the penalty rates.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 30		
59	Australia Post	Pratt	Uniform manufacturers	<p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> What about the outdoor uniforms? Where are they manufactured?</p> <p><b>Ms Walsh:</b> There are similar arrangements there. I am happy to take that on notice just to make sure I provide you with the correct answer.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 30		
60	Australia Post	Pratt	Recruitment	<p><b>Senator PRATT:</b> I have some last questions, which I can put on notice. How are Australia Post executives recruited? Are all senior management and executive positions advertised outside Australia Post? What selection procedures are used? Are external recruitment agencies used? Can you provide the title and position of descriptions of 435 staff identified in your annual report on, I think, page 98 whose salaries range from \$180,000 to just over \$1 million?</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> I am happy to take some of those on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 31		
61	Australia Post	Whish-Wilson	Tasmanian offices	<p><b>Senator WHISH-WILSON:</b> How many post offices are there in Tasmania at the moment? The number I have been given is 158. How many of those would be privately owned under licensing agreements?</p> <p><b>Ms Corbett:</b> In Tasmania in total, there are 200 offices. I will take on notice for you the actual breakdown of the number of corporate office versus either licensees or community postal agents.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 33		

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62	Australia Post	Whish-Wilson	Tasmanian businesses	<p><b>Senator WHISH-WILSON:</b> I have just two very quick questions. If there were to be LPOs in Tasmania that went to the wall for whatever reason—it could be their own poor business management or it could be the fact that they are struggling under current arrangements—would you be able to pick up that capacity with other Australia Post offices? Is that something you have looked at?</p> <p><b>Mr Fahour:</b> Firstly, out of the 3,800, there were 10 last year that were unable to sell their business, for whatever it is—a general business—and have handed back their licence. Of those 10, I will find out if any were in Tasmania. I am not aware of it, but I am sure somebody will inform me of that information soon.</p> <p><b>Senator WHISH-WILSON:</b> Or if there have been any for sale that have not been able to sell—</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 36		
63	Australia Post	Macdonald	Investment in QLD	<p>Question on Notice 169 FROM Budget Estimates May 2013 asked the Department to clarify the advice given at Additional Estimates in October 2012 to the effect that \$2 billion was to be invested in Australia Post with a "sizeable component" being spent in Queensland, and on North Queensland parcel processing.</p> <p>These answers were given in response to a line of questioning regarding local resident noise complaints generated by after-hours parcel loading activities at the Rockhampton Mail Centre (RMC).</p> <p>Correspondence regarding the egregious nature of noise impacts on local residents around the RMC continues to be received by the Office of Senator Macdonald.</p> <p>In answer to Question on Notice 169 from Budget Estimates in May 2013 the Department indicated that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As at 30 April 2013 \$737.7 million of the \$2 billion investment had already been spent;</li> <li>• The Rockhampton Mail Centre <i>did not</i> receive “any significant funding” under the \$2 billion funding program;</li> <li>• That, despite previous notice regarding Rockhampton Regional Council by-laws relating to hours of operation and noise abatement, the Rockhampton Mail Centre continues to operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.;</li> <li>• That the Manager of the RMC visited local impacted residents in February 2013 and reported that there were no noise complaints;</li> <li>• That the Department has introduced a range of measures to minimise the noise impacts of the RMC on local residents; and,</li> <li>• That the Department has no plans to relocate the RMC.</li> </ul> <p>1. How much of the \$1.26 billion portion that remained unspent in April has now been spent?</p> <p>2. At Supplementary Estimates on 16 October 2012 Mr Fahour said:</p>	In Writing		

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				<p><i>“That is why we announced a \$2 billion investment in Australia Post to secure our future. One of the opportunities we are investigating is the benefits that this investment will bring right across Australia. A sizeable component will be going into the great state of Queensland and the beneficiaries will be people in Queensland, <u>particularly in North Queensland where we are expanding our parcel processing capability.</u> That will create jobs and employment opportunities.”</i></p> <p>Can Australia Post identify which components of the \$2 billion will be of benefit “particularly in North Queensland”?</p> <p>Can you also identify which “parcel processing capability” is being expanded in North Queensland that Australia Post identified in October 2012?</p> <p>3. If the RMC did not receive “any significant funding” can you tell me what funding, if any, it <i>did</i> receive?</p> <p>4. The Department did not answer question # 6 from Budget Estimates May 2013 QON 169. The question asked if any noise complaints had been received after October 2012. The answer ignores this question and instead tells a story about RMC management visits to local residents in Feb/March 2013.</p> <p>I ask again: Were any noise complaints received after October 2012?</p> <p>And if there were no noise complaints received after this time, then why did RMC management embark on a public relations exercise on the subject of noise abatement?</p> <p>5. If there were no noise complaints made to the RMC manager when he visited local residents (answer # 6-7 Budget Estimates May 2013 QON 169) then why has Australia Post introduced a raft of measures at RMC to reduce noise impacts on local residents (answer # 8-10 Budget Estimates May 2013 QON 169)?</p> <p>6. Has Australia Post now received the finalised survey results (answer # 6-7 Budget Estimates May 2013 QON 169) back from the Rockhampton regional Council? If so, what are the results? What action will Australia Post be taking based on these results?</p> <p>7. Is it true that the RMC have advised that the use of the land as a mail centre contravenes Council Planning rules and but for the fact that Australia Post is Government Business Enterprise, it would be prosecuted?</p>			
64	Australia Post	Whish-Wilson	Australia Post board	1. Has the Government made any changes to the Australia Post Board since the publication of the Annual Report?	In Writing		

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				2. Does the government plan to boost the skills on the Australia Post Board relating to Rural and Regional Australia or Small Business?			
65	Australia Post	Whish-Wilson	LPO's	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What number of LPOs are there currently in Australia?</li> <li>2. What number of LPOs have changed franchisee in the last financial year and in the current financial year to date?</li> <li>3. What number of Post Offices in Australia are classified as rural and regional? How has this number changed over the last five financial years?</li> <li>4. Has Australia Post, in the current or past financial year, ever carried out any investigations, reviews or commissioned consultancies into the financial viability or financial performance of the LPOs?</li> <li>5. What processes are there available to an LPO franchisee to renegotiate their LPO Agreement with Australia Post? What processes are available for a franchisee to complain or raise issues about Australia Post performance?</li> <li>6. Is Australia Post considering changing the model contract for LPO agreements to make LPOs more financially sustainable?</li> <li>7. Has Australia Post or the Department of Communications provided a brief to the Communications Minister in regard to LPOs and their viability? Has the Minister requested such a brief?</li> <li>8. Has Australia Post issued and "Termination Without Cause" notices associated with the clause in the Licensee Post Office (LPO) Agreement? If so, how many over the last and current financial years?</li> <li>9. Has Australia Post conducted any reviews, investigations or consultancies in regards to the CPOs and LPOs skills and capabilities of carrying out increased used of retail technology?</li> <li>10. Can you provide a list of all LPOs where Australia Post has been unable to find a buyer?</li> <li>11. How many complaints have been received by Australia Post from LPOs in regards to Australia Post performance, contract conditions, red tape, technology and financial concerns in the last and current financial years?</li> </ol>	In Writing		
66	Australia Post	Whish-Wilson	Express Post in regional Australia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Is Australia Post considering removing the Express Post service from any parts of Rural and Regional Australia?</li> <li>2. Has the Express Post Service been removed or downgraded in any parts of rural and regional Australia over the last or current financial years? If so, can you please list the regions?</li> </ol>	In Writing		
67	Australia Post	Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</li> <li>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</li> <li>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</li> <li>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	In Writing		

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				<p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>2. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?</p> <p>3. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information?</p>			
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78	Australia Post	Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	<p>1. Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>2. Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>3. Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>4. Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much?</p> <p>5. Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p>	In Writing		
79	Australia Post	Ludwig	Executive coaching and leadership training	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 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>	In Writing		



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80	Australia Post	Ludwig	Staffing reductions	<p>a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?</p> <p>b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</p> <p>d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</p> <p>e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p>	In Writing		
81	Australia Post	Ludwig	Staffing cessations	<p>a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</p>	In Writing		
82	Australia Post	Ludwig	Staffing recruitment	<p>a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</p>	In Writing		
83	Australia Post	Ludwig	Coffee machines	<p>1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since 7 September 2013?</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?</p> <p>b) Why were coffee machines purchased?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased?</p> <p>Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p> <p>2. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage?</p> <p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.</p> <p>b) Why are coffee machines rented?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p>			
84	Australia Post	Ludwig	Printing	How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed from 7 September 2013 to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	In Writing		
85	Australia Post	Ludwig	Corporate Cars	<p>a) How cars are owned by each department/agency?</p> <p>b) Where is the car/s located?</p> <p>c) What is the car/s used for?</p> <p>d) What is the cost of each car from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>e) How far did each car travel from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
86	Australia Post	Ludwig	Taxi costs	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?</p>	In Writing		
87	Australia Post	Ludwig	Hire costs	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?</p>	In Writing		
88	Australia	Ludwig	Credit cards	<u>Credit cards</u>	In Writing		

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	Post			<p>1. Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.</p> <p>2. Please update details of the following?</p> <p>a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused?</p> <p>b) How is corporate credit card use monitored?</p> <p>c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered?</p> <p>d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.</p> <p>e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?</p>			
89	Australia Post	Ludwig	Electricity purchasing	<p><u>Electricity purchasing</u></p> <p>a) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement?</p> <p>b) What are the department/agency electricity costs from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
90	SBS	Bilyk	Coverage	<p><b>Senator BILYK:</b> Mr Ebeid and Mr Khalil, welcome to another estimates. I am no longer a full member of this committee, but I came in because I had a couple of questions I wanted ask about digital television coverage. I think it was in August, but before the election anyway, that you received some funding to roll out to some new locations. Is that correct?</p> <p><b>Mr Ebeid:</b> That is correct.</p> <p><b>Senator BILYK:</b> Of particular interest to me, as you know from longstanding estimates with me, are areas of Tasmania—St Marys, Rosebery and Strahan—are they to be included? What is the timeline for that rollout and how it is all going?</p> <p><b>Mr Ebeid:</b> We did receive the money late last year. I think you are right: it was about August. It was for about 96 sites all around the country. We are working with our broadcast partner, Broadcast Australia, which is now going to be rolling out those new sites. I can get a detailed schedule to you of when those three locations you mentioned will be operational.</p> <p><b>Senator BILYK:</b> Are they the only Tasmanian ones?</p> <p><b>Mr Ebeid:</b> I will get you a list of all Tasmanian sites and when they will come on line...</p> <p><b>Mr Ebeid:</b> ...The total number was something like 40-odd new services and the rest were conversions, but, again, we can get the exact details of that from last August.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 38		
91	SBS	Fawcett	Australian content	<p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> How many hours of first run Australian content would you have run in the last 12 months?</p> <p><b>Mr Ebeid:</b> I would have to give you that on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 39		
92	SBS	Fawcett	Advertising	<p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> Can you give the committee a brief rundown of your financial situation—in particular, the percentage of revenue derived from advertising.</p> <p><b>Mr Ebeid:</b> Of our total funding, if you include out transmission revenues, which is about \$80 million—and that is a fixed cost—about 35 per cent of our revenues come from our own commercial sources.</p> <p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> Which is your advertising.</p> <p><b>Mr Ebeid:</b> It is advertising, as well some of our commercial activities—DVDs, magazines, CDs and the pay TV channels that we provide.</p> <p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> Could you give us a breakdown of those.</p> <p><b>Mr Ebeid:</b> Yes.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 40		

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93	SBS	Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	<p>1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>2. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?</p> <p>3. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information?</p>	In Writing		
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102	SBS	Ludwig	Meeting costs	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	In Writing		
103	SBS	Ludwig	Hospitality and Entertainment	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>e) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are they?</p>	In Writing		
104	SBS	Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	<p>1. Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>2. Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>3. Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>4. Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much?</p>	In Writing		

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				5. Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?			
105	SBS	Ludwig	Executive coaching and leadership training	In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date: 1. Total spending on these services 2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 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) 4. The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: a) The location used b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	In Writing		
106	SBS	Ludwig	Staffing reductions	a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions? b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut. d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening. e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.	In Writing		
107	SBS	Ludwig	Staffing cessations	a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff? b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?	In Writing		
108	SBS	Ludwig	Staffing	a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification	In Writing		



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			recruitment	are these staff? b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff? c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?			
109	SBS	Ludwig	Coffee machines	1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since 7 September 2013? a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased? b) Why were coffee machines purchased? c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from? e) Who has access? f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee? 2. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff usage? a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. b) Why are coffee machines rented? c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from? e) Who has access? f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?	In Writing		
110	SBS	Ludwig	Printing	How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed from 7 September 2013 to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	In Writing		
111	SBS	Ludwig	Corporate Cars	a) How cars are owned by each department/agency? b) Where is the car/s located? c) What is the car/s used for? d) What is the cost of each car from 7 September 2013 to date? e) How far did each car travel from 7 September 2013 to date?	In Writing		

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112	SBS	Ludwig	Taxi costs	a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?	In Writing		
113	SBS	Ludwig	Hire costs	a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?	In Writing		
114	SBS	Ludwig	Credit cards	<u>Credit cards</u> 1. Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. 2. Please update details of the following? a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? b) How is corporate credit card use monitored? c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	In Writing		
115	SBS	Ludwig	Electricity purchasing	<u>Electricity purchasing</u> a) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? b) What are the department/agency electricity costs from 7 September 2013 to date?	In Writing		
116	ABC	Ruston	Q&A from India	<b>Senator RUSTON:</b> ...How much did it cost us to broadcast Q&A from India last night? <b>Mr Scott:</b> I do not have that figure. I can say, though, that we believed it was an important part of our international broadcasting strategy. We are working with DFAT on this. India is clearly a very important market. Part of what we want to do is raise visibility about these important neighbours in an Australian context. That is why we did Q&A from Jakarta. That is why we did it from India. That is why we are keen to do one from China. We were delighted last night that it was broadcast not just by the ABC in Australia and on Australia Network and Radio Australia around the region but by Doordarshan, the Indian public broadcaster, live into India, potentially a remarkable market for that program. So it was not an insignificant exercise. I am happy to give you the figure on notice, but it was a good investment in public diplomacy on behalf of Australia. <b>Senator RUSTON:</b> That will be great. When you provide that information, maybe I could have how many ABC staff were over there— <b>Mr Scott:</b> Yes. <b>Senator RUSTON:</b> and perhaps an explanation as to whether you used any on-ground crew from India, because obviously India has pretty good film production— <b>Mr Scott:</b> Yes, there was a bit of all of that. <b>Senator RUSTON:</b> and why you did not use that crew. If you could provide the same sort of information about Jakarta, that would be fantastic. <b>Mr Scott:</b> Yes, certainly.	19/11/2013 Pg 42-43		
117	ABC	Ruston	Website content	<b>Senator RUSTON:</b> Can I just quickly move on to the content on your website. I refer to the tweet that stayed on there for quite a number of hours that referred to a sexual act in the	19/11/2013 Pg 43		

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				<p>same context as our Prime Minister. Could you advise us of what measures you have put in place subsequent to that to ensure that this sort of inappropriate material is not again seen on a taxpayer-funded website.</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> Yes. Let me come back to you on that process. Let me say on that matter that the tweet you refer to came from a direct stream of tweets that used the hashtag related to the program. It was not edited. It was not moderated. It was not seen by any ABC employee before it ran through the website. As I understand it, it was only on the website for a brief period of time; it was part of a flow of tweets that came through. There was a live flow of tweets from Twitter. I will find out for you, on notice, what now happens with that site.</p>			
118	ABC	Ruston	Keating	<p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> That would be great. Finally, on the four-part interview series with the ex-Prime Minister Mr Keating, I am just wondering how many hours of footage were taken in the context of this series.</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> You want to see the out-takes, do you?</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> I would love to, yes—all of them. He is an entertaining man.</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> Out-takes will be in the DVD edition!</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> No, just how much footage you get.</p>	10/11/13 Pg 43		
119	ABC	Xenophon	<i>Lateline</i>	<p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> What percentage of <i>Lateline</i> stories are from each state or territory on average, if you have statistics, over the last—</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> I do not have those with me, but I can take that on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 44		
120	ABC	Xenophon	<i>7.30 Report</i>	<p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> Yes, you can take that on notice. Also, what percentage of 7.30 stories are from each state or territory on average, discounting the local Friday night episodes? How does this compare over the last three years and is it accurate to say that there has been a decline in stories from South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory? Again, I am happy for you to answer those on notice.</p>	19/11/13 Pg44		
121	ABC	Xenophon	Funding - \$2 million for local content	<p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> Again, on notice, how much of that has been spent, on what has it been spent and has it been directed by the ABC centrally out of Sydney or is there autonomy with respect to the states? Also, how much has South Australia received of that amount?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> We can give you details.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 44		
122	ABC	Thorp	Commission of Audit	<p><b>Mr Scott:</b> There is some broad correspondence in circulation from the Commission of Audit. We are mainly dealing for this matter through the department, and providing them with information.</p> <p><b>Senator THORP:</b> What information have you been asked for?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> It is fairly general and high level basically at the moment, I understand.</p> <p><b>Senator THORP:</b> Is that information we can see?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> I can take that on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 46		
123	ABC	Thorp	Content	<p><b>Senator THORP:</b> I am sure the South Australians would think that is pretty big. What checks and balances have you got in place to make sure that element of your charter is fulfilled, and how do you record whether or not the work that is being done—</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> We do internal work around that. Our television division keeps significant detail</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 47		

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				<p>of what work we are doing in different parts of the country, and we review that. For example, the television series <i>The Doctor Blake Mysteries</i> that we have done has been filmed in regional Victoria. I understand we have a children's drama program underway in Tasmania at the moment. There has been a lot that has happened in Western Australia. So we look to work in partnership, and this is material that our television division keeps and reports to me on.</p> <p><b>Senator THORP:</b> And is that kind of information publicly available?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> We can provide you with some more detail on notice if you would like.</p>			
124	ABC	Fawcett	Q&A	<p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> That is fine. Who came up with the idea for <i>Q&amp;A</i> to host an audience with David Suzuki?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> That will be the <i>Q&amp;A</i> production team, the same people who put together the panel every week.</p> <p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> Was he paid to appear on the program?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> I do not believe so. I will correct that if I am told otherwise, but I do not believe we pay any guests for <i>Q&amp;A</i>. I am certainly not aware of it.</p> <p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> Do you pay for his flights, accommodation or any other expenses?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> I am not aware of any of that. I believe he was in the country. This is what <i>Q&amp;A</i> often does with a good eye to taxpayer value. Often the international guests we get are already in the country, and we piggyback on expenses paid by others to get them on the program.</p> <p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> Sure. If you could just clarify with the committee on those two points.</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> Sure. I will clarify that on notice for you.</p> <p><b>Senator FAWCETT:</b> Likewise, did you have any particular requests or demands that the ABC had to provide or comply with as part of his agreement to appear on the program?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> I am not aware of that, but I will answer it on notice for you.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 48		
125	ABC	Ruston	Video journalists	<p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> On a more specific area: when we were talking in estimates earlier this year we discussed the cessation of news services by WIN TV in South Australia. We were discussing that the ABC had taken up the mantle of putting video journalists into regional and rural areas. I am wondering how far that has progressed. I know there is a video journalist who has been based at the ABC in Renmark, but I wondered whether that program has expanded.</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> I can get that on notice for you.</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> I would be interested in knowing how far you have got and what your plans for the future are in that particular area, particularly in relation to rural and regional news and sport exposure.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 51		
126	ABC	Ruston	ABC fact-checking unit	<p><b>Mr Scott:</b> Let me see what I can find here. I have some information on the fact-checking unit. It has been operational from just before the election campaign. There have been numbers of stories that you will have seen have appeared on it—about 70 stories. I do not have the precise staffing level here now; but, yes, it has produced 70 stories over two</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 51-52		

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				<p>months. The top 20 stories were viewed a total of 650,000 times online. I must say that, even though there were some suggestions here that this would be a very controversial undertaken, I think it has proven not to be the case. I am very happy with its performance. Unlike some other fact-checking units that have emerged I do not think it is particularly florid in how it executes its work. It is pretty factual and fact based. One of the things I am particularly pleased with about it is that, in addition to the staff that we have employed, we have a robust panel of advisers around economic matters and also around broader political matters that our staff can go to as a reference point. I can give you details around the exact staffing numbers on notice.</p> <p>Every now and again I see a reference to a \$10 million fact-checking unit. That is emphatically untrue, as the answer on notice will show you. We had numbers of things that were done out of the funding that was provided, which was a funding total of \$10 million including regional staff, specialist staff, regional offices that we were opening and the fact-checking unit; but I will provide you with the detail of that on notice...</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> ...Would it be easy to access a copy of what the complaints actually referred to, or not?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> Our complaints are protected by privacy in that we offer privacy to those people who are complaining, and privacy around why. In an answer on notice I might be able to give you a bit of the shape of any complaints. That is fine. But it has been noteworthy for the absence of complaints. The ABC has a well honed complaints policy. There will be times when we get numbers of complaints—although I would say, on the back of this election campaign, given the amount of coverage we were doing we had really relatively few complaints, and the complaints were actually quite even-handed in their outcome. I am happy to give you a bit more detail.</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> What would be really quite an interesting comparison would be, broadly, what the content or the nature of the complaints were as opposed to the specific subjects. For instance, how many of the complaints to your agency were, broadly speaking, directed towards bias?</p> <p><b>Mr Scott:</b> Yes, sure.</p>			
127	ABC	Urquhart	Appearances on programs	During 2013 how many times has Mr Turnbull appeared on each of the 7:30 Report, Lateline and QandA?	In Writing		
128	ABC	Urquhart	Appearances on programs	During 2013 how many times has Mr Abbott appeared on each of the 7:30 Report, Lateline and QandA?	In Writing		
129	ABC	Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	<p>1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>2. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?</p> <p>3. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information?</p>			
130	ABC	Ludwig	Media subscriptions	<p>1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		

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				4. What publications does your department/agency purchase? a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?			
131	ABC	Ludwig	Media Monitoring	What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? a) Which agency or agencies provided these services? b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?	In Writing		
132	ABC	Ludwig	Media training	1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date: a) Total spending on these services b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification c) 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) d) The names of all service providers engaged 2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: a) The location used b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	In Writing		
133	ABC	Ludwig	Communications Staff	1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: By Department or agency: a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.	In Writing		

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				<p>b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>d) How many are graphic designers?</p> <p>e) How many are media managers?</p> <p>f) How many organise events?</p> <p>2. Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?</p>			
134	ABC	Ludwig	Provision of equipment	Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency 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.	In Writing		
135	ABC	Ludwig	Travel Costs	<p>a) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental/agency 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). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>b) What travel is planned for the rest of this financial year from 7 September 2013? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>c) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>d) What is the policy for business class airfare tickets?</p> <p>e) 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.</p> <p>f) 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.</p> <p>g) Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?</p>	In Writing		
136	ABC	Ludwig	Government payment of accounts	<p>a) From 7 September 2013 to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)?</p> <p>b) 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>c) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</p> <p>d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate</p>	In Writing		



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137	ABC	Ludwig	Consultancies	<p>a) How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 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.</p> <p>b) 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.</p>	In Writing		
138	ABC	Ludwig	Meeting costs	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	In Writing		
139	ABC	Ludwig	Hospitality and Entertainment	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>e) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are they?</p>	In Writing		
140	ABC	Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	<p>1. Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>2. Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>3. Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>4. Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much?</p> <p>5. Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p>	In Writing		
141	ABC	Ludwig	Executive coaching and leadership training	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Total spending on these services</li> <li>The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</li> </ol>	In Writing		

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				<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 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 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>5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>a) The location used</p> <p>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
142	ABC	Ludwig	Staffing reductions	<p>a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?</p> <p>b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</p> <p>d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</p> <p>e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p>	In Writing		
143	ABC	Ludwig	Staffing cessations	<p>a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</p>	In Writing		
144	ABC	Ludwig	Staffing recruitment	<p>a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</p>	In Writing		
145	ABC	Ludwig	Coffee machines	<p>1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since 7 September 2013?</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?</p> <p>b) Why were coffee machines purchased?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased?</p> <p>Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p> <p>2. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage?</p> <p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.</p> <p>b) Why are coffee machines rented?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p>			
146	ABC	Ludwig	Printing	How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed from 7 September 2013 to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	In Writing		
147	ABC	Ludwig	Corporate Cars	<p>a) How cars are owned by each department/agency?</p> <p>b) Where is the car/s located?</p> <p>c) What is the car/s used for?</p> <p>d) What is the cost of each car from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>e) How far did each car travel from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
148	ABC	Ludwig	Taxi costs	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?</p>	In Writing		
149	ABC	Ludwig	Hire costs	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?</p>	In Writing		
150	ABC	Ludwig	Credit cards	<u>Credit cards</u>	In Writing		

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				<p>1. Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.</p> <p>2. Please update details of the following?</p> <p>a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused?</p> <p>b) How is corporate credit card use monitored?</p> <p>c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered?</p> <p>d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.</p> <p>e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?</p>			
151	ABC	Ludwig	Electricity purchasing	<p><u>Electricity purchasing</u></p> <p>a) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement?</p> <p>b) What are the department/agency electricity costs from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
152	ACMA	Urquhart	Mass service disruptions	<p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> There is a definition, though, I take it, for the natural disaster category?</p> <p><b>Mr Tanner:</b> I would expect there was, yes.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> Are you able to provide that to me?</p> <p><b>Mr Tanner:</b> Certainly.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> Thank you. Again, going through those notices, it appears to me that the vast majority are water related, so I am assuming that is either thunderstorms or heavy rainfall. Would that be correct?</p> <p><b>Mr Tanner:</b> I do not have a breakdown of the figures. I believe that is probably right, and we have come out of a fairly wet period—well, not in the last year but certainly prior to that. So I think rainfall is a large part of it.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> Are you able to provide some more-substantive information on that?</p> <p><b>Mr Tanner:</b> We can certainly give you more of a breakdown. I have some statistics here but I have not done that breaking-down exercise.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> That would be great. Thank you. Could you provide on notice too the percentage of mass service disruptions in 2013 that were due to thunderstorms, heavy rain or flash flooding—if you can break it down?</p> <p><b>Mr Tanner:</b> Sure.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> And the total number of services affected.</p> <p><b>Mr Tanner:</b> Yes. I certainly can give you those figures.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 55		
153	ACMA	Urquhart	Operational savings since merger	<p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> What operational savings have been made as a consequence of the merger?</p> <p><b>Mr Chapman:</b> There were immediate operational savings in 2005-06, but I could not give you a useful answer this afternoon. I will have to take that on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 57		
154	ACMA	Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	<p>1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.  d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.  e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>2. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:  a) How are briefings requests commissioned?  b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.  c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.  d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.  e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.  f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?</p> <p>3. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include:  a) How are briefings requests commissioned?  b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.  c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.  d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.  e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.  f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information?</p>			
155	ACMA	Ludwig	Media subscriptions	<p>1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?  a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.  b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?  c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?  d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?  a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.  b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?  c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?  d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?  a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.</p>	In Writing		

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				b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? 4. What publications does your department/agency purchase? a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?			
156	ACMA	Ludwig	Media Monitoring	What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? a) Which agency or agencies provided these services? b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?	In Writing		
157	ACMA	Ludwig	Media training	1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date: a) Total spending on these services b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification c) 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) d) The names of all service providers engaged 2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: a) The location used b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	In Writing		
158	ACMA	Ludwig	Communications Staff	1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:	In Writing		

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				<p>By Department or agency:</p> <p>a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>d) How many are graphic designers?</p> <p>e) How many are media managers?</p> <p>f) How many organise events?</p> <p>2. Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?</p>			
159	ACMA	Ludwig	Provision of equipment	Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency 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.	In Writing		
160	ACMA	Ludwig	Travel Costs	<p>a) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental/agency 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). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>b) What travel is planned for the rest of this financial from 7 September 2013? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>c) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>d) What is the policy for business class airfare tickets?</p> <p>e) 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.</p> <p>f) 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.</p> <p>g) Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?</p>	In Writing		
161	ACMA	Ludwig	Government payment of accounts	<p>a) From 7 September 2013 to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)?</p> <p>b) 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>c) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so</p>	In Writing		

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				how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year? d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?			
162	ACMA	Ludwig	Consultancies	a) How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 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. b) 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.	In Writing		
163	ACMA	Ludwig	Meeting costs	a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. b) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	In Writing		
164	ACMA	Ludwig	Hospitality and Entertainment	a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this all events including any catering and drinks costs. b) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. c) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. d) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. e) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are they?	In Writing		
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166	ACMA	Ludwig	Executive coaching and	In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to	In Writing		



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			leadership training	<p>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> <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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The location used</li> <li>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</li> </ol> </li> </ol>			
167	ACMA	Ludwig	Staffing reductions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?</li> <li>b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</li> <li>c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</li> <li>d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</li> <li>e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</li> </ol>	In Writing		
168	ACMA	Ludwig	Staffing cessations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</li> <li>b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</li> </ol>	In Writing		
169	ACMA	Ludwig	Staffing recruitment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract</li> </ol>	In Writing		

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				and what is the average length of their employment period?			
170	ACMA	Ludwig	Coffee machines	<p>1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since 7 September 2013?</p> <p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?</p> <p>b) Why were coffee machines purchased?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased?</p> <p>Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p> <p>2. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff usage?</p> <p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.</p> <p>b) Why are coffee machines rented?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p>	In Writing		
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173	ACMA	Ludwig	Taxi costs	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?</p>	In Writing		
174	ACMA	Ludwig	Hire costs	a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to	In Writing		

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				date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?			
175	ACMA	Ludwig	Credit cards	<u>Credit cards</u> 1. Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. 2. Please update details of the following? a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? b) How is corporate credit card use monitored? c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	In Writing		
176	ACMA	Ludwig	Electricity purchasing	<u>Electricity purchasing</u> a) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? b) What are the department/agency electricity costs from 7 September 2013 to date?	In Writing		
177	NBN Co	Lundy	Corporate Plan	<b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Can I just ask the minister whether it is the government's intention to publish the corporate plan that NBN Co. is currently working to. <b>Senator Fifield:</b> I will take that on notice.	19/11/2013 Pg 63		
178	NBN Co	Lundy	Strategic Review	<b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Have you been able to cost the internal resources towards the strategic review and can you tell the committee? <b>Dr Switkowski:</b> I have not seen any data estimates for the cost of internal resources, but it is easily done. It really is a back of the envelope calculation. <b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Perhaps you could take it on notice, if there is a notional figure that you have assigned in your operational budget. But it is another area that we will come back to, no doubt, in the next estimates. <b>Dr Switkowski:</b> I will take it on notice.	19/11/2013 Pg 65-66		
179	NBN Co	Lundy	Copper Network	<b>Senator LUNDY:</b> So NBN Co. did not have a figure that said a percentage of the copper network is inaccessible? <b>Dr Switkowski:</b> No, but I do not know either how one arrives at that figure or what that figure means. Here, I default back to my own history. The copper network has been working well for decades. <b>Senator LUNDY:</b> With due respect, Dr Switkowski, I will come to that because I would like to explore those very issues with you in just a little bit of depth today and because I remember those conversations we had. Can I ask the minister how the coalition came up with the figure of 10 per cent of copper being inaccessible? It is figure that the coalition has used, so I want to put that to the minister, but I also want to put it to NBN Co. Does NBN Co. have any knowledge about where this 10 per cent figure came from, minister? <b>Senator Fifield:</b> I will leave it to NBN to speak to their knowledge first. <b>Senator LUNDY:</b> I do understand if you want to take it on notice. <b>Senator Fifield:</b> Sure, but I thought I would give officers of NBN Co. the opportunity to speak to their knowledge.	19/11/2013 Pg 67-68		

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				<p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Dr Switkowski, is 10 per cent a number that has any bearing on any considerations of NBN Co. prior to starting your work on the strategic review?</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> I do not understand the metric. What does 10 per cent of copper being inaccessible mean?</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> I do not know; it was the coalition that said it, so I am asking you.</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> I do not know.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> You do not know either.</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> I do not think any of us know what that means at the moment without going back to the document.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> That just confirms what I thought: that it was a relatively meaningless figure.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> No.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Over to you, minister.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> I think what it means is that officers of NBN Co. do not know the basis upon which that figure was calculated. I do not think you can draw from it that they have the same conclusion that you do, but I will take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> You will take it on notice and source that figure for us, will you?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> Yes.</p>			
180	NBN Co	Lundy	Network testing	<p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Yes, but you do not yet know what the algorithm will be for testing the network per se for the purposes of assessing costs for the strategic review?</p> <p><b>Mr Adcock:</b> No, that will be an engineering consideration.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> When will you know that? When will you make a decision as a company about how rigorous you are going to be?</p> <p><b>Mr Adcock:</b> Can I take that on notice and come back? I do not have a time frame. I have been here for all of a week.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 69		
181	NBN Co	Urquhart	Request to table note	<p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> I understand that, but it was from Mr Turnbull's adviser, as I understand it. I have asked the question.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> That is a question we can take on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> I am asking that it be tabled.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> I am saying we will take it on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> So you will take on notice whether you will table the note?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> I have not seen it but we will take it on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 71		
182	NBN Co	Lundy	High-frequency Interference	<p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> There are several reports by this and other committees in parliament about the state of the copper network. Although they constitute historical documents at this juncture, no doubt they still bring some bearing to the state of the network and may be useful. I understand that Telstra is currently investigating about one case per week of high-frequency interference with copper that makes ADSL unusable. Does NBN Co. have any information about this problem within the network and can you explain what this issue is and why it affects data but not voice services?</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> One case per week?</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 71-72		

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				<p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Yes—responding to complaints.</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> Fifty a year out of 10-plus million lines? Telstra has more problems with wombats chewing through its cables.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Are you aware of this problem?</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> No.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> We do not have a CTO at the table? Do you have a CTO here?</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> No.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Perhaps you could take that on notice...</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> ...Thank you. I will place on notice the question about the interference.</p>			
183	NBN Co	Ruston	Consultants	<p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> Moving on to consultants, there seems to be some discrepancy about consultants. Prior to the election—so, say, in the 2012-13 year—how many external consultants were under contract to the NBN Co. during that time?</p> <p><b>Mr Payne:</b> I would have to take that on notice. I do not know the exact number.</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> If you do that, maybe you could give me the total cost of that as well.</p> <p><b>Mr Payne:</b> Sure.</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> Would you have any idea of how many staff were employed by NBN Co. prior to the election?</p> <p><b>Mr Payne:</b> I think at the end of June it was 2,900.</p> <p><b>Mr Brown:</b> It was 2,860, approximately.</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> Does this reflect the 2012-15 corporate plan employment numbers?</p> <p><b>Mr Payne:</b> I think it is consistent; I think it might be a little under.</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> So the 2012-15 plan had projected that there would be more than 2,860 employees?</p> <p><b>Mr Payne:</b> I believe so, a little more.</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> Would you confirm that for me.</p> <p><b>Mr Payne:</b> I will.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 72-73		
184	NBN Co	Urquhart	Visionstream and other sub-contractors	<p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> The government's policy document, <i>Economic growth plan for Tasmania</i>, stated that a coalition government would honour 'all existing contracts that are under way'. Could you define what 'existing contracts that are underway' means to NBN Co.</p> <p><b>Mr Brown:</b> Yes. There are a number of contracts that we have with people doing work in Tasmania. The first category is the brownfields work which we just spoke to—that is the contract with Visionstream, and we are out on the public record as being in discussions with Visionstream commercially to try to address the impasse that we are in at the moment related to the numbers they have committed in their contract. That is a commercial issue for the NBN that is hopefully going to be resolved shortly. Certainly we are committed to trying to find a resolution to this in a way so they can get back on the job and work effectively but at a fair price.</p> <p>The second piece of work that is going on in Tasmania relates to our customer connection activities. Visionstream does most of that work as well but there are a couple of subcontractors that are working directly for us in Tasmania on that.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 86-87		

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				<p>The third area—</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> Sorry—who are the other subcontractors?</p> <p><b>Mr Brown:</b> There are two other subcontractors. I need to come back to you with their names. They are very small players.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> Are they contracted directly to Visionstream or are they contracted to NBN Co.?</p> <p><b>Mr Brown:</b> At the moment they are doing some pieces of work for NBN Co., but we coordinate with sufficient strength to ensure we are operating in the market efficiently. There are two other pieces of work, when you talk about contracts and contractors. The first one is our fixed wireless rollout which is going to time in Tasmania. That is with Eriksson who in turn have subcontracted out to, I think, John Holland but I will need to confirm that for you. Our contract is with Eriksson and Eriksson then subcontract out to other players to provide that work. The last piece is actually to do with our greenfields operations there, which is building new estates, and that is also with Visionstream. Each of those contracts are discrete in the own nature because they deal with different types of activities for us. We have agreements in place and we continue to work to them.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> I am not sure whether I missed it, but I guess the key point I am getting at there is what is the word for all the existing contracts that are underway—what does that word 'underway' mean to NBN Co.? Does it mean design and consultation? Does it mean that the street has been ripped up? Does it mean a contract has been issued, or a work plan? What does it actually mean? Can you elaborate a little bit more on that scenario of existing contracts underway?</p>			
185	NBN Co	Ruston	Rollout figures South Australia	<p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> Is it possible to get some rollout figures for South Australia from here on in? Is that something you have got available to you?</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> We have them, but not here. We will take it on notice.</p> <p><b>Mr Adcock:</b> To date?</p> <p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> Yes, and the projection from here. And I am sure Senator Ludlam will be very interested to know Western Australia's rollout figures as well.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 75		
186	NBN Co	Ruston	Consultant expenditure	<p><b>Senator RUSTON:</b> Just finally, Mr Payne, could you table for the committee at some stage what the total expenditure of consultants was for the NBN Co. until the end of August.</p> <p><b>Mr Payne:</b> I will do.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 77		
187	NBN Co	Ludlam	Natural monopoly aspects	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Okay. Is it your understanding that NBN Co. will retain the natural monopoly aspects that this parliament debated ad nauseam for a period of about two years, or are we going to see a period of infrastructure competition at the wholesale level?</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> I consider that a policy question. That is a reasonable question to ask—</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Thank you.</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> but I have been given no instructions other than your introductory comments.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> You have been pretty clear on the first two. On the third one, it is 'maybe'. You are not sure.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 78		

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				<p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> It is unsure today. But I think it is a reasonable question that will be asked and debated. But it is a policy question for the government, really.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Senator Fifield, do you want to take that one?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> I will take that on notice for Minister Turnbull.</p>			
188	NBN Co	Ludlam	Structural separation	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> When Mr Turnbull took over from Senator Minchin as communications shadow spokesperson a couple of years back, Mr Turnbull changed the coalition's policy quite sharply—that Telstra should be structurally separated, that the wholesale and retail arms should be separated out. I am keen to know whether or not that is still the government's policy.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> As I said, I think it is better to address that later in the evening.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> I may not be here, Senator Fifield. Can you take that one on notice?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> All right.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 78		
189	NBN Co	Ludlam	TUSMA	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Is it still anticipated that TUSMA would retain its independent status as the delivery mechanism for the USO in this brave new world that we are entering?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> That is outside my area of knowledge, Senator Ludlam, as the minister representing the minister.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> I am interested to know if you can point me to a document that already exists in the public domain. What is this current government's policy on the universal service obligation? That is for taking on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> We will take that on notice—or later tonight. I am not being difficult, but some of these questions are ones that the officers from the department of communications itself would be in a position to assist you with.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 78		
190	NBN Co	Urquhart	Copper and NBN connections	<p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> I understand that. I was just trying to work out the time frame and how much.</p> <p>Obviously this has been an issue in the media, and I am sure you are aware of media reports today about NBN and the copper network ending in Tasmania. I understand that there are some areas where the internet and phone services are already being cut and customers have not yet got their connection to the NBN. That is obviously a huge impost on some families, so I am wondering if you can comment on that.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> Are you saying that there people without any connection?</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> Yes. As I understand it, they have been offered to use mobile services, which obviously is not very efficient for families who are probably battling to pay their bills now. I am wondering if you can comment any further on the situation there.</p> <p><b>Mr Adcock:</b> There are no services that are under a disconnection order from the NBN yet. I am not aware of the reports, but I would suggest that it has nothing to do with the NBN.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> Right. I ask that you have a look at that.</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> Sure. This might be something that was a function of decisions taken more than a couple of months back.</p> <p><b>Senator URQUHART:</b> Yes. I am just asking if you can get some information in relation to that and come back. Obviously these people, if they are without a phone or internet</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 89		

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				facility—as I understand it there is one particular family who run a business from home, and they are struggling to get connected to the NBN and cannot get an appointment till January.			
191	NBN Co	Peris	Brownfields and Greenfields	<p><b>Mr Brown:</b> Correct. We have also seen in both greenfields and brownfields one of our most extensive delays in the country. Only recently have we actually achieved the 2,700 brownfields pass numbers. Those numbers have only occurred since July.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> So that is a pretty fast take-up in the scheme of things, then.</p> <p><b>CHAIR:</b> Less than 25 per cent?</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> In the time frame. Sorry; you can speak for yourselves.</p> <p><b>CHAIR:</b> But you still have only one in four hooking onto it. Sorry; Senator Peris, continue.</p> <p><b>Senator PERIS:</b> Are you able to provide me with the premises and communities that are actually connected to those platforms?</p> <p><b>Mr Brown:</b> The actual addresses and locations?</p> <p><b>Senator PERIS:</b> Or the suburbs.</p> <p><b>Mr Brown:</b> Yes, we can provide that. I will take that on notice.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 90		
192	NBN Co	Peris	NBN in Indigenous Communities	<p><b>Senator PERIS:</b> Thank you. Minister, does your government have plans to provide assistance to Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory to connect the network given the opportunities to improve service delivery to communities and families, particularly remote communities, through the NBN?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> The government's overall approach is that we want to see the NBN rolled out faster and more affordably, and that will benefit everyone in Australia. But, if there are particular plans or proposals that are separate to that which would benefit particular communities, I am happy to take that on notice. I think the prime thing is that the sooner, the faster, and the better the NBN gets rolled out that is to the benefit of all Australians.</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 90		
193	NBN Co	Lundy	Relationship with Mr Rousselot	<p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> And what is Mr Turnbull's association with Mr Rousselot? I understand that they have had other relationships.</p> <p><b>Dr Switkowski:</b> I cannot provide an answer to that.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> Minister, could you take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> Sure.</p> <p><b>Senator LUNDY:</b> There are lots of rumours floating around and this is the only opportunity we have to resolve it. I am particularly interested to know whether Mr Rousselot and Mr Turnbull have had any joint assets and, in particular, whether one of those joint assets was a yacht. You will take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Senator Fifield:</b> Sure. I hope you are not—</p>	19/11/2013 Pg 92		
194	NBN Co	Madigan	Tower construction	NBN Co has again brought forward a proposal to construct an unwanted tower in a residential area- this time in a heavily treed corridor between Buninyong and Mt Helen at a site recognised for its natural beauty and residential amenity. Ballarat City Council has imposed strict planning restrictions for developments within the area and accordingly, has appropriate planning overlays in place. These are designed to protect native flora and fauna and to preserve the visual character of the area. In fact, the site NBN Co has acquired is covered by native vegetation, bushfire and the “koala” overlay, E05. Ballarat City Council	In Writing		



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				<p>produced a Victorian planning award winning brochure describing the best practices on 'How to live with koalas.'</p> <p>Along with their telecommunications tower, NBN Co originally applied for a permit to remove 150 "Acacia trees" from the nominated koala conservation zone. However, upon inspection, most of the 150 trees NBN Co wanted to knock down were <u>not</u> wattle trees at all. They were eucalypts identified as Messmate Stringybarks (<i>Eucalyptus obliqua</i>). Due to the relatively low incidence of Manna Gums in the Ballarat area, experts advise that Messmate Stringybarks are the primary food source for the local koalas that Ballarat City Council is enforcing planning controls to protect.</p> <p>Following significant local protest I understand there has been some revision as to the number of trees NBN Co wish to remove. However, I am advised that NBN Co will not reveal the number of trees to go and have failed to nominate their species. I would caution NBN Co that the community will not take too kindly should NBN Co attempt to again suggest these trees would be "acacias."</p> <p>Somewhat ironically, NBN Co's chosen tower site features in the background of Ballarat City Council's koala brochure. Should NBN Co get its way, instead of an image with a picturesque bush land back drop, representative of prime koala habitat, the brochure would need to photo shop away a significant portion of that habitat and insert an NBN fixed wireless tower, soaring 20 meters above the natural tree canopy. NBN Co's proposal discredits council's efforts to protect koala habitat and snubs the immeasurable environmental significance and distinct natural beauty of the area.</p> <p><b>Will NBN Co respect local government planning schemes and immediately withdraw its application to Ballarat City Council to construct a fixed wireless telecommunications tower in protected bush land between Buninyong and Mt Helen?</b></p>			
195	NBN Co	Madigan	Tower construction	<p>There are disturbing similarities between the choice of the site referred to in Question 1 and NBN Co's previous scheme to construct a fixed wireless tower in a protected bush land gully alongside the Buninyong Golf Course – an area registered on the historical inventory of Victoria for its heritage significance.</p> <p>NBN Co unashamedly tried to deceive local residents into believing that "Crown Castle Australia" had submitted the controversial application without NBN Co's direction. Instead, NBN Co maintained that the application was not an NBN application but would consider: "co locating to Crown Castle's infrastructure- if it were approved."</p> <p>Crown Castle is a telecommunications infrastructure provider which counts the government among its clients and who just 'happened' to choose a site that met the complex contiguous,</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>line of sight requirement of the fixed wireless network.</p> <p>Although infrastructure providers cannot legally lodge planning applications in Australia without nominating the support of a registered carrier, the deception continued with senior NBN Co officers and even the federal member for Ballarat all perpetuating NBN Co's charade. NBN Co denied responsibility for the DA despite:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the Radio Frequency National Site Archives naming NBN Co as the registered carrier for the Buninyong tower;</li> <li>• plans submitted to Ballarat City Council that revealed that the substation would be built precisely to NBN Co's specifications and would transmit a microwave signal consistent with the technology used by the NBN fixed wireless network; and</li> <li>• an EME report on NBN Co letterhead.</li> </ul> <p>While the statutory planners recommended the refusal of NBN Co's previous DA citing unacceptable visual, amenity and environmental impacts, NBN Co's deliberate attempt to mislead the Ballarat public may well have contributed to the planning application being voted down unanimously by Ballarat City nine Councillors.</p> <p>The Australian reported: 'Ballarat Council unanimously voted against the tower with Mayor Mark Harris saying the application failed because of the overwhelming visual impact and the effect on local vegetation and koala habitat. "There can't be any expectation from NBN Co that all these applications would necessarily be approved by any council," Mr Harris said. "If there was any other idea of how it was going to proceed, NBN Co has certainly had a wake-up call." Mr Harris said councils in suburban areas, which will receive fibre-optic cable, would not face the same difficult decision. "You wouldn't want this visited on you," he said. (16/3/2012) In light of NBN Co's history of poor conduct, lack of transparency and failed attempt to mislead the Ballarat public about plans for south Ballarat's fixed wireless rollout, will NBN Co. now honour the wishes of local residents by abandoning the proposal to construct a fixed wireless tower in protected bushland in a residential area already serviced by fibre?</p>			
196	NBN Co	Madigan	Tower construction	<p>ABC recently reported that: 'NBN Co is in the middle of a 60-day review ordered shortly after the Coalition won government in September. When the review ends on December 31, industry stakeholders will want a clear answer on whether the NBN will be delivered in a fashion that works, not just for the Coalition, but for them'. (18/11/2013)</p> <p>The Buninyong/Mt Helen communities are also hopeful that the Ballarat South rollout will, indeed, proceed in "a fashion that works."</p> <p>ABC reported on November 18 that: 'By ordering the elimination of "spin" in NBN</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>communications, Mr Turnbull is raising the bar for all government projects.' Ballarat, Buninyong and Mt Helen communities welcome this news.</p> <p><b>On behalf of the residents of Mt Helen and Buninyong I ask NBN Co - will you accord these residents an appropriate sign of respect by immediately suspending or withdrawing the planning application that has been lodged at Ballarat City Council until such time as the government has completed its 60 day review?</b></p>			
197	NBN Co	Madigan	Tower construction	<p>On 23 August 2012 INVEST VICTORIA made the following announcement: “<b>Victorian city Ballarat ranked number one in Australia for IT services delivery.</b> Victoria’s third largest city, Ballarat, has emerged as the most competitive location in Australia for the delivery of IT services, according to an independent report by IT advisory firm, capioIT.”</p> <p>Entitled ‘<i>Identifying the Premium Australia Location for Delivery of IT and Business Process Services</i>’ the report described Ballarat as being “<i>clearly the number one location for the establishment of IT and business process delivery centres in Australia</i>” (22/8/2012). It recognises that Ballarat has collaborated closely with state and local governments, universities as well as with industry and the key IT tenant – the IBM Corporation.</p> <p>South of Ballarat, on the Buninyong side of Mt Helen, the University of Ballarat neighbours the University of Ballarat Technology Park, which has recently been approved for expansion. Together, the Ballarat facility is regarded by capioIT as being “<i>a natural channel for technology and business students, who can gain on-the-job skills supporting blue-chip IBM clients including Qantas, Jetstar, Fiserv, NBN Co, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), and others. IBM, for its part, gets extra skilled staff to better manage peaks and troughs in demand for support.</i>”</p> <p>The Ballarat Technology Park hosts international tenants of the calibre of IBM. NBN Co itself utilises Ballarat’s outstanding ICT services. However, despite the revelation that Ballarat is leading the provision of ICT services in the nation, NBN Co has submitted development plans that, if approved, would endorse the construction of an NBN fixed wireless telecommunications tower - only one kilometre away from the University and the Ballarat Technology Park.</p> <p>The Ballarat University and Technology Parks are serviced by high speed fibred telecommunications infrastructure- as are the homes that surround the site of NBN CO’s current planning permit. Understandably, these local residents are upset that the natural environment would be spoiled unnecessarily.</p> <p>Mt Helen and Buninyong residents who would be most impacted by NBN CO’s proposal are only a stone’s throw from away from the Australia’s leading ICT center. Just like the</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>previous location selected by NBN Co to host an NBN telecommunications tower, neighbouring residences already have access to broadband internet at speeds of up to 100 mbps.</p> <p>Minister Turnbull reiterated in his ABC interview: <i>"Make no mistake, to get this project back on track and completed in a reasonable time frame at a reasonable cost is a daunting challenge," he said (18/11/2013).</i></p> <p>In keeping with Minister Turnbull's comments I suggest it is recklessly wasteful for NBN Co to propose duplicating telecommunications infrastructure in Buninyong/Mt Helen by constructing an NBN fixed wireless facility capable of servicing the very same homes with inferior speeds of only 12 -25 megabits. It is economically irresponsible. Proceeding with plans to construct a fixed wireless would reflect the same abuse of tax payer dollars that marked the previous government's approach.</p> <p>NBN Co's intention to erect an unwanted telecommunications substation in a neighbourhood already serviced by superior telecommunications fibre optic cabling, opposite the Ballarat University Technology park recently ranked number one in Australia for ICT delivery, unnecessarily duplicates telecommunications infrastructure without demonstrating any benefit to the community it would most impact. NBN Co's application to construct a fixed wireless substation is surplus to this community's requirements. It poses an unacceptable burden to taxpayers who are ultimately responsible for picking up the tab for the NBN roll out.</p> <p><b>In light of Minister Turnbull's public comments, with NBN Co. have regard to the wasteful and nonsensical nature of this proposal and withdraw its current application for this project?</b></p>			
198	NBN Co	Lundy	NBN Connections – ACT	<p>1) What is the current number of premises in the Australian Capital Territory that have been passed by NBN Co fibre?</p> <p>2) What number of these sites would be considered greenfield sites? What number would be considered brownfield?</p> <p>3) What number of these sites currently connected are households and what number are businesses or other entities?</p> <p>4) How many premises in the Australian Capital Territory currently have active connections to NBN Co's fibre network?</p>	In Writing		
199	NBN Co	Lundy	RSP's – ACT	Can you provide the percentage proportions of the market for Retail Service providers in the ACT?	In Writing		
200	NBN Co	Lundy	Roll out plans	What are the roll-out plans going forward in the ACT and in the Southern NSW region?	In Writing		
201	NBN Co	Lundy	Copper line retention	Does NBN Co collect information on what proportions of premises with an active fibre connection no long have an active copper line telephone and/or internet services?	In Writing		

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				a. If so, how many premises in the ACT have relinquished their copper line services?			
202	NBN Co	Lundy	NBN Fibre take up rates	Comparing the NBN fibre take-up rates against other jurisdictions- how do the ACT's take-up rates compare in percentage terms? a. Is it true that the ACT has the highest take up rates of NBN Co services in the country?	In Writing		
203	NBN Co	Lundy	NBN Co's acquisition of the TransACT network	What will be the impact of NBN Co's acquisition of the TransACT's network on the provision of fibre and other NBN Co's services in the Australian Capital Territory? a. Does this acquisition appreciably change NBN Co's rollout intentions in the Australian Capital Territory? b. Will the services provided by NBN Co using TransACT infrastructure be analogous to the services provided by the infrastructure constructed by NBN Co? i. Will these services be able to provide up to 100Mbps downstream? ii. Would it be accurate to characterise the services that NBN Co will be capable of providing using TransACT's existing infrastructure as VDSL or VDSL2? What is the most appropriate description of the services NBN Co will be capable of providing with TransACT's acquired infrastructure. Ie. FTTP, FTTN, other?	In Writing		
204	NBN Co	Lundy	Launch 1 gigabit FTTP	Will NBN Co retain its timetable to launch 1 gigabit FTTP products that were previously scheduled for December 2013?	In Writing		
205	NBN Co	Urquhart	FSAMs	For each of the Fibre Serving Access Modules (FSAMs) identified by NBN as 2BLK-07, 2BLK-09, 2BLK-10, 2CBT-01, 2HOM-04, 2LID-07, 2LID-08, 2LIV-02, 2LIV-03, 2LIV-04, 2PTH-07, 2PTH-08, 2RCH-07, 2COR-04, 2COR-05, 2COR-06, 2COR-07, 2COR-08, 2DAP-01, 2DAP-05, 2DAP-06, 2DBB-03, 2GOS-07, 2GOS-08, 2GRN-02, 2LJT-05, 2LJT-06, 2LJT-08, 2LJT-09, 2MAI-03, 2MAI-07, 2MAI-11, 2MDG-01, 2MDG-02, 2MDG-03, 2MYF-01, 2TEE-01, 2TEE-03, 2TEE-05, 2TRK-01, 2WAG--01, 2WAG--02, 2WAG--03, 2WAG--04, 2WLG--02, 2WLG--03, 2WLG--04, 2WLG--05, 2WLG--06, 3BRA-07, 3BRU-07, 3BRU-08, 3CBN-05, 3CBN-04, 3CTN-03, 3CTN-04, 3CTN-06, 3FSR-01, 3FSR-04, 3FSR-05, 3KAL-02, 3KAL-05, 3KEY-01, 3KEY-03, 3KEY-04, 3SMR-08, 3TMN-06, 3WER-01, 4AAR-02, 4AAR-06, 4ACO-05, 4ACO-06, 4ACO-07, 4ACO-05, 4ACO-06, 4ACO-07, 4ACO-08, 4APL-05, 4APL-06, 4APL-07, 4APL-08, 4APL-09, 4ASH-01, 4ASH-02, 4BBE-01, 4BBE-02, 4BBE-03, 4BBE-08, 4BDB-03, 4BDB-04, 4CAI-06, 4FRV-02, 4GDN-07, 4GDN-08, 4GUL-07, 4IPS-03, 4IPS-08, 4KLG-07, 4MKY-05, 4NDG-04, 4NDG-05, 4NDG-06, 4ROT-01, 4ROT-02, 4ROT-03, 4ROT-04, 4SGI-01, 4SGI-03, 4SGI-06, 4SLA-01, 4SLA-02, 4SLA-03, 4TNS-07, 5ALD-05, 5ALD-04, 5CPK-01, 5CPK-02, 5CPK-03, 5FLN-01, 5GAW-01, 5GAW-02, 5GAW-03, 5MOD-02, 5MOD-03, 5MOD-04, 5MOD-05, 5MOD-06, 5MOD-07, 5PRO-02, 5PRO-03, 5PRO-04, 5PRO-06, 5PRO-05, 5PTA-01, 5PTA-02, 5PTA-03, 5PTE-01, 5PTE-02, 5PTE-03, 5SBY-01, 5SFD-02, 5SFD-03, 5SFD-05, 5STI-01, 5STI-02, 5STI-03, 5YKL-01, 6APP-01, 6APP-03, 6APP-04, 6APP-05, 6APP-06, 6APP-07, 6APP-08, 6CGE-03, 6CGE-04, 6CGE-05, 6GLT-04, 6GLT-05, 6GLT-06, 6GLT-07, 6KAT-01, 6KOJ-01, 6MDR-04, 6MDR-05, 6MDR-06,	In Writing		

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				<p>6MDR-07, 6MDR-08, 6MDR-09 , 6MSP-04, 6MSP-05, 6NTH-01, 6NTM-01, 6PNJ-01, 6PNJ-02, 6SPT-01, 6SPT-02, 6SPT-03, 6SPT-04, 6SPT-05, 6SPT-06, 6SPT-07, 6SPT-08, 6VIC-04, 6VIC-05, 6VIC-06, 6VIC-07, 6VIC-08, 6VIC-09, 6YND-01, 7BEV-03, 7BEV-05 , 7GEW-02, 7HOB-08, 7HOB-07, 7LAU-08, 7LAU-09, 7LAU-10, 7LEG-01, 7NWT-01, 7NWT-02, 7NWT-03, 7NWT-04, 7NWT-02, 7NWT-0, 7NWT-0, 7SHL-01, 7SHL-02, 7SHL-03, 7SHL-04, 7SHR-01 , 7WIN-01, 8CSU-05, 8CSU-04, 8DRW-07, 8DRW-08, 9BLC-01, 9BLC-02, 9CVI-02, 9CVI-03, 9CVI-04, 9CVI-05, 9CVI-06, 9QBN-03, 9QBN-04, 9QBN-06 ;</p> <p>a. What is NBN Co’s current estimate of the “premises count within the FSAM once construction has been completed”.</p> <p>b. On what date was the FSAM determined to have construction commenced as defined using the metrics issued prior to the election on 7 September? (construction commenced is identified as point “e” in exhibit 18-1 of the draft NBN Co Corporate Plan 2013-16)</p> <p>c. To whom was the contract issued to complete the detailed design work including field activity?</p> <p>d. If the detailed design is completed, on what date was it completed? What was the cost of preparing the detailed design for each FSAM?</p> <p>e. If the detailed design was not completed, on what date it is expected to be completed? If it is not expected to be completed what is the status of the contract to perform the work?</p> <p>f. On what date has a build instruction been issued, or on what date is it expected that a build instruction will be issued? (build instruction issued is identified as point “h” in exhibit 18-1 of the draft NBN Co Corporate Plan 2013-16)</p> <p>g. If a build instruction has been issued, on what date it is expected the FSAM will be ready for service?</p>			
206	NBN Co	Urquhart	FSAMs	<p>For what FSAMs had Network Design Documents have been completed at 22 November 2013 that had not yet been progressed to construction commenced? For each of the FSAMs listed;</p> <p>a. On what date was it completed?</p> <p>b. What is NBN Co’s current estimate of the “premises count within the FSAM once construction has been completed”</p>	In Writing		
207	NBN Co	Urquhart	NBN Co Weekly Statistics	<p>For each of the dates for which NBN Co weekly statistics are now being provided (namely 7-Jul-13, 14-Jul-13, 21-Jul-13, 28-Jul-13, 4-Aug-13, 11-Aug-13, 18-Aug-13, 25-Aug-13, 1-Sep-13, 8-Sep-13, 15-Sep-13, 22-Sep-13, 29-Sep-13, 6-Oct-13, 13-Oct-13, 20-Oct-13, 27-Oct-13, 3-Nov-13, 10-Nov-13, 17-Nov-13, 22-Nov-13);</p> <p>a. For how many premises had build instructions been issued but not yet completed?</p> <p>b. For how many premises had contract instructions been issued but build instructions had not been issued?</p> <p>c. For how many premises had network design documents been completed but contract instructions for detailed design not been issued?</p>	In Writing		
208	NBN Co	Urquhart	FSAM statistics	For each FSAM that had been completed by 22 Nov 13,	In Writing		

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. What is the premises count for the FSAM?</li> <li>b. What is the number of premises at Service Class Zero?</li> <li>c. For each week since the FSAM was completed what was the number of premises activated for the FSAM?</li> </ul>			
209	NBN Co	Urquhart	Salary of the Executive Chairman	What salary is the Executive Chairman being paid? At the committee hearing on 19 November Dr Switkowski advised what he had told the Minister he would work, but for how many hours each week since he was appointed has he attended the offices of NBN Co? How much has NBN Co paid in flights, accommodation and other travel related costs for the Executive Chairman's attendance at NBN Co?	In Writing		
210	NBN Co	Urquhart	Forward program to June 2014	Dr Switkowski told the Committee that "For me, the priority right now is not how many premises are passed or how many FSAMs are published on a map; the priority is restoring balance to and confidence in the entire supply chain, from design through construction to activation of service, right across the nation. We are working closely with the government to make sure that this is front and centre of our efforts as the company works through the strategic review." Can NBN Co advise the forward program through to June 2014 for providing additional "build instructions" to restore "balance and confidence" in the supply chain? Have orders been placed for material required for these instructions?	In Writing		
211	NBN Co	Urquhart	Corporate Plan	Can the Minister and NBN Co confirm that NBN Co has no updated corporate plan from the NBN Co Corporate Plan 2012-15? Can the Minister and NBN Co advise how the shareholder Minister's will be measuring NBN Co's performance against this plan?	In Writing		
212	NBN Co	Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	<p>1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</li> <li>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</li> <li>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</li> <li>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</li> <li>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</li> </ul> <p>2. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</li> <li>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</li> <li>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</li> <li>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</li> <li>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</li> </ul>	In Writing		

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				<p>f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?</p> <p>3. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</p> <p>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p> <p>f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information?</p>			
213	NBN Co	Ludwig	Media subscriptions	<p>1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
214	NBN Co	Ludwig	Media Monitoring	<p>What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</p> <p>c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
215	NBN Co	Ludwig	Media training	<p>1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date:</p>	In Writing		



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				<p>a) Total spending on these services</p> <p>b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>c) 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>d) The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>2. 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 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>3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>a) The location used</p> <p>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
216	NBN Co	Ludwig	Communications Staff	<p>1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: By Department or agency:</p> <p>a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>d) How many are graphic designers?</p> <p>e) How many are media managers?</p> <p>f) How many organise events?</p> <p>2. Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?</p>	In Writing		
217	NBN Co	Ludwig	Provision of equipment	<p>Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency 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.</p>	In Writing		

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218	NBN Co	Ludwig	Travel Costs	<p>a) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental/agency 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). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>b) What travel is planned for the rest of this financial year from 7 September 2013? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>c) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>d) What is the policy for business class airfare tickets?</p> <p>e) 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.</p> <p>f) 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.</p> <p>g) Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?</p>	In Writing		
219	NBN Co	Ludwig	Government payment of accounts	<p>a) From 7 September 2013 to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)?</p> <p>b) 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>c) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</p> <p>d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>	In Writing		
220	NBN Co	Ludwig	Consultancies	<p>a) How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 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.</p> <p>b) 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.</p>	In Writing		
221	NBN Co	Ludwig	Meeting costs	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	In Writing		

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222	NBN Co	Ludwig	Hospitality and Entertainment	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>e) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are they?</p>	In Writing		
223	NBN Co	Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	<p>1. Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>2. Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>3. Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>4. Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much?</p> <p>5. Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p>	In Writing		
224	NBN Co	Ludwig	Executive coaching and leadership training	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 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 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>5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>premises, please provide:</p> <p>a) The location used</p> <p>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
225	NBN Co	Ludwig	Staffing reductions	<p>a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?</p> <p>b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</p> <p>d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</p> <p>e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p>	In Writing		
226	NBN Co	Ludwig	Staffing cessations	<p>a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</p>	In Writing		
227	NBN Co	Ludwig	Staffing recruitment	<p>a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</p>	In Writing		
228	NBN Co	Ludwig	Coffee machines	<p>1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since 7 September 2013?</p> <p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?</p> <p>b) Why were coffee machines purchased?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased?</p> <p>Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p>	In Writing		

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				<p>2. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage?</p> <p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.</p> <p>b) Why are coffee machines rented?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p>			
229	NBN Co	Ludwig	Printing	How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed from 7 September 2013 to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	In Writing		
230	NBN Co	Ludwig	Corporate Cars	<p>a) How cars are owned by each department/agency?</p> <p>b) Where is the car/s located?</p> <p>c) What is the car/s used for?</p> <p>d) What is the cost of each car from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>e) How far did each car travel from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		
231	NBN Co	Ludwig	Taxi costs	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?</p>	In Writing		
232	NBN Co	Ludwig	Hire costs	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?</p>	In Writing		
233	NBN Co	Ludwig	Credit cards	<p><u>Credit cards</u></p> <p>1. Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.</p> <p>2. Please update details of the following?</p> <p>a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused?</p> <p>b) How is corporate credit card use monitored?</p> <p>c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered?</p> <p>d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.</p> <p>e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?</p>	In Writing		
234	NBN Co	Ludwig	Electricity purchasing	<p><u>Electricity purchasing</u></p> <p>a) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement?</p> <p>b) What are the department/agency electricity costs from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	In Writing		