

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Resources, Energy and Tourism Portfolio

Additional Estimates 2007-08

21 February 2008

Question: AR-7
Topic: Fees relating to petroleum leases.
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Senator Johnston asked:

Senator JOHNSTON—Do we charge rent on our exploration leases? What are the fees approaching an exploration lease, an offshore petroleum lease, roughly?

Mr Pegler—There are a large variety of fees. For instance, you must pay a fee of \$4,400 to lodge an application for—

Senator JOHNSTON—That is the application fee, yes.

Mr Pegler—Then there are ongoing annual administration fees. There are fees—

Senator JOHNSTON—Just before you go any further: what ‘ongoing administration fees’?

Mr Pegler—I do not have the exact figures for each individual fee. We can give you a complete fee structure if that is all right.

Senator JOHNSTON—I would like that, yes, please.

Answer:

A complete fee structure is provided below.

Schedule of Fees ; Petroleum (Submerged Land) Act 1967 and related Acts

<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	OFFSHORE	
	<i>Section(s)</i>	<i>AMOUNT</i> \$
APPLICATIONS	<i>P(SL)A 67</i>	
Infrastructure Licence	59B(2)(d)	1615.00
Permit	21(1)(f)	4040.00NR
Permit by cash bidding	22(A)(5)(h)	1615.00NR
Premium Permit	24(1)(a) 24(1)(b)	4040.00NR
Renewal of Permit	30(2)(c)	1615.00
Production Licence	41(1)(e)	1615.00
Production Licence in respect of Surrendered Blocks	48(1)(a) 48(1)(b)	4040.00NR
Production Licence (Splitting)	51(2)(e)	810.00
Renewal of Production Licence	54(2)(d)	1615.00
Pipeline Licence	64(1)(f)	4040.00NR
Retention Lease	38(A)(2)(e)	1615.00
Renewal of Retention Lease	38(F)(2)(d)	1615.00
Retention Lease unused area of licence	38BB(2)(b)	1615.00
Special Prospecting Authority	111(2)(d)	810.00
Variation of Pipeline Licence	71(2)(e)	810.00
Change of Company Name	79(3)(b)	81.00
Devolution of Title	79(2)	81.00

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Search inspection of register/instruments	86(1)	17.00
Copies/extracts from the Register/page	87(2)	3.10
Certificate evidentiary provisions	87(3)	40.00
Borrowing data/ material per day	118, 150	34.00
ANNUAL FEES	P(SL) Fees Act 94	
Infrastructure Licence (per title)	4(2)(b)	12000.00
Permit (per block)	4(2)(b)	50.00
Permit (minimum)	4(2)(b)	1000.00
Production Licence (per block)	4(2)(b)	18000.00
Pipeline Licence (per km or part thereof)	4(2)(b)	80.00
Retention Lease (per block)	4(2)(b)	6000.00
REGISTRATION FEES ACTS	P(SL)(RF)A 67	
Dealing (minimum)	4(6)	810.00
Transfer (minimum)	4(2)	810.00
Transfer giving effect to Prior Dealing	4(3)	810.00
Transfer/Dealing Related Corporation	4(4), 4(6A)	4040.00
Transfer/Dealing Advalorem	4(2), 4(5)	1.5% of Value of Consideration

NOTES: NR Non-Refundable

ACTS	REGULATIONS
<u>Commonwealth of Australia</u>	
P(SL)A 67 Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967	P(SL)R 85 Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Regulations 1985 (Appln prescribed fees)
P(SL)FA 94 Petroleum(Submerged Lands) Fees Act 1994	P(SL)(RF)R 90 Petroleum (Submerged Lands)(Registration Fees) Regulations No58/1990
P(SL)(RF)A 67 Petroleum (Submerged Lands)(Registration Fees) Act 1967	P(SL)FR 94 Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Fees Regulations 1994-(A/F)