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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question: AET 642

Topic: Social Media (IGT)

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Senator BUSHBY asked:

642. Has there been any changes to department and agency social media or protocols about staff access and useage of Youtube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since publication of the Australian Public Service Commission's Circular 2012/1: Revisions to the Commission's guidance on making public comment and participating online?
- a. If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issue.
 - b. If no, please explain why not.

Answer:

642. No. However, the agency's IT service provider, the Department of Treasury, has advised that it is investigating greater use of social media to engage with stakeholders. This includes developing social media access and protocol use in keeping with Australian Public Service Commission releases.
- a. Not applicable.
 - b. See response to 642.