Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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QUESTION No.90

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Senator O'Brien asked about:

- a) What has been the process of See Australia's media buys? Have they been quarterly, six monthly or annual buys in the past?
- b) Who are the main agencies used and how are they selected?

ANSWER

- a) The buys have been annual regarding TV and ad-hoc with other media.
- b) The firm of George Patterson Bates was chosen by the See Australia Board based on a tender process. Zenith was appointed to manage the media placement. For the Brand Australia launch, See Australia hired Customedia, an independent media strategist, to assist.