## **Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio Budget Estimates Hearing 2009-10 01 June 2009

**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANISATION

**TOPIC:** Negotiations with INVAP

**REFERENCE:** Question on Notice (Hansard 1 June 2009, E11)

**QUESTION No.:** BI-32

**Senator LUDLAM**—What are ANSTO's legal costs? Are they identified separately in your annual report for this sort of work?

**Dr Paterson**—These are not documented separately.

**Senator LUDLAM**—Are you able to tease out for us what you are spending on lawyers to get these things reconciled?

**Dr Paterson**—We would like to take that question on notice and revert to you.

## **ANSWER**

ANSTO has been invoiced a total of \$112,095.29 excluding GST in legal costs, from September 2007 until the end of April this year, for legal advice on the contractual issues relating to the defects and repairs.