

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio  
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**TOPIC:** Enterprise Connect Staffing costs

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**QUESTION No.:** BI-31

**Senator COLBECK** – I will move on now to Enterprise Connect. I want to clarify some of the figures that you have given us in answer to question on notice No. AI-41, including overall appropriations and staff numbers. The figures for the appropriations seem to differ from what appears in the budget papers. Can you give us the total overall cost for Enterprise Connect and then how that is broken down, please?

**Mrs Zielke**—Certainly. The confusion might be because the figures stated in the PBS vary depending on whether departmental costs are included in those figures or whether any administered are being referred to.

**Senator COLBECK**—So how do I work that out?

**Mrs Zielke**—In relation to the program, for example, for the 2009-10 financial year, the program has \$26 million in administered and \$33 million in departmental, which comes to \$59 million in total. In 2010-11, the administered dollars are \$24 million and the departmental is \$26.8 million, which comes to \$50.8 million. In 2011-12, the administered dollars are \$24.4 million and the departmental dollars are \$26.4 million, which comes to a total of \$50.8 million.

**Senator COLBECK**—Do the departmental costs align with the staffing for costs?

**Mrs Zielke**—The departmental costs cover things like staffing. They also cover administrative costs, travel costs—anything that is covered in administering the program.

**Senator COLBECK**—Can you give me information on the breakdown of that or would you have to take that on notice?

**Mrs Zielke**—I would have to take that on notice.

**Senator COLBECK**—If you could do that for me, please, that would be good. I would like to get a precise figure for staffing costs, in particular, if I can, for each of those, particularly years 2009-10, 2010-11 and 2011-12.

**Mrs Zielke**—I can give you figures for staffing costs to date but departmental is a single allocation, so costs into the future would vary depending on the delivery of the program.

**Senator COLBECK**—Can you give me the figure on staffing to date?

**Mrs Zielke**—Not at the moment; I would have to take that on notice.

**ANSWER**

<b>Enterprise Connect Departmental Funds</b>	<b>2009-10</b>
Staffing Costs	\$16.83 million (GST exclusive)
Administration Costs	\$16.09 million (GST exclusive)