SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS QUESTION

(Supplementary Budget Estimates 20 October – 21 October)

Question: SBT 127

Topic: FOI Requests

Senator Bushby asked:

Has the Department/agency received any advice from the Government or any other source on how to respond to FOI requests?

How many FOI requests has the Department received?

How many have been granted or denied?

How many conclusive certificates have been issued in relation to FOI requests?

Answer:

Responses cover the period between the ACCC's Budget Estimates 2010–11 hearing (2 June 2010) and the ACCC's Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010–11 hearing (21 October 2010).

- 1. Between 2 June 2010 and 21 October 2010 the ACCC received advice from both AGS and Counsel with respect to various FOI requests.
- 2. Between 2 June 2010 and 21 October 2010 the ACCC received 22 FOI requests.
- The outcomes of the 22 FOI requests received during the period between 2 June 2010 and 21 October 2010 are listed below:

Granted	4
Part Granted	5
Denied	5 (no documents existed)
Withdrawn	2
Transferred	1
Outstanding	5
TOTAL	22

Note: These figures are based on requests received during the period 2 June 2010 to 21 October 2010.

4. The ACCC has not issued any conclusive certificates in relation to FOI requests.