Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

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Question No: SBT 28

Topic: Government advertising

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Senator Bushby asked:

What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – did the Department/Agency undertake in 2011 — 12? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.

Answer:

The tables below provide information on Campaign and Non-Campaign advertising undertaken by the ATO in the period 1 July 2011 – 1 November 2011. The information includes advertising campaigns and associated costs subject to whole of government guidelines for advertising activity (<u>Guidelines for Advertising and Information Campaigns March 2010</u>). In practice, this means all activities undertaken that include paid advertising. Routine advertising such as recruitment and procurement are excluded, and figures relating to advertising expenditure are only those connected to *campaign* advertising (e.g. media buy etc).

1 JULY 2011 – 1 NOVEMBER 2011ADVERTISING¹

Campaign

| PROGRAM NAME | ADVERTISING ITEM | SERVICE PROVIDER | COST \$ ² (GST inclusive) |
|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------|---|
| Tax Time 2011* | Online and newspaper advertising | Universal McCann | 144,200 |
| | Radio 'tax tips 2011' | Media Heads | 93,500 |
| | YouTube 'tax tips 2011' | Media Heads | 101,800 |
| | YouTube – animated clip | Visual Jazz | 23,500 |
| Tax Time 2011* | SBS Radio | Adcorp | 6,100 |

¹ Includes current advertising as well as advertising where expenditure has occurred but has not yet been paid.

² Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred dollar.

| PROGRAM NAME | ADVERTISING ITEM | SERVICE PROVIDER | COST \$ ² (GST inclusive) |
|-------------------------------|---|------------------|---|
| | SBS Radio | SBS | 8,250 |
| Small business benchmarks | Media placement (Magazine and digital google search advertising) | Universal McCann | 17,600 |
| GST property pathway page# | Media placement (Online advertising) | Universal McCann | 12,000 |
| Spend to 1 November 2011 | | | 406,950 |

Non campaign#

| PROGRAM NAME | ADVERTISING ITEM | SERVICE PROVIDER | COST \$ ³ (GST Inclusive) |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|---|
| Government | Media placement | Adcorp | 800 |
| directory | | | |
| advertising | | | |
| Geelong shopfront | Media placement | Adcorp | 1,000 |
| relocation | | | |
| advertising | | | |
| Gold coast shop | Media placement | Adcorp | 2,800 |
| front relocation | | | |
| advertising | | | |
| Spend to 1 November 2011 | | | 4,600 |

* No dedicated campaign funding allocation. Activity funded as part of business as usual operational expenditure.

The allocated funding is solely departmental and does not include any administered funding.

 $^{^{\}rm 3}$ figures are rounded to the nearest hundred dollar.