

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2012-2013**

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Australian Electoral Commission

**Outcome/Program:**

**Topic:** Australian Trade and Industry Alliance Pty Ltd - Political Expenditure

**Senator:** Faulkner

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**Question:**

The thing that interested me about this was that the Australian Trade and Industry Alliance incurred political expenditure of \$9,261,235.09 and returns lodged. It is published on your website. That appears to be the single largest expenditure that was disclosed by any third party in the last financial year.

**Answer:**

The largest sum of political expenditure disclosed for the 2011-12 financial year was the \$9,261,235.09 reported by the Australian Trade and Industry Alliance Pty Ltd, as trustee for the Australian Trade and Industry Alliance Trust.