ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

National Water Commission

Budget Estimates Hearings 2006-07

(Question No. PM48)

Senator Ludwig asked:

The following questions relate to the purchase of executive coaching and/or other leadership training services by the department/agency, broken down for each of the last four financial years.

Where available, please provide:

- 1. Total spending on these services.
- 2. The number of employees offered these services and their salary level.
- 3. The number of employees who have utilised these services and their salary level.
- 4. The names of all service providers engaged.
- 5. For each service purchased from a provider listed in the answer to the previous question, please provide:
 - a. The name and nature of the service purchased.
 - b. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based.
 - c. The number of employees who received the service.
 - d. The total number of hours involved for all employees.
 - e. The total amount spent on the service.
 - f. A description of the fees charged (e.g. per hour, complete package).
 - g. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
 - i. The location used
 - ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion
 - iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part.

Answer:

- 1. \$10,412
- 2. Fourteen staff at SES B1(3 staff) and EL2 (11 staff). The salary levels for these classifications are:
 - a. SES B1: \$123,760-\$124,480
 - b. EL 2: \$86,260-\$98,853
- 3. Five employees utilised these services- 2 SES officers and 3 EL2 staff. Their salary levels are as indicated in the answer to Q2 above.
- 4. The leadership program was provided by the Australian Public Service Commission and was delivered by the Centre for Public Management. Coaching services were provided by VT Coach Pty Ltd and Rosetta Consulting Pty Ltd.
- 5. Details for each of the services are set out in the following table

Name of service	Rosetta Consulting Pty	VT Coach Pty Ltd	Centre for Public Management/Australian Public Service Commission
Nature of service	Executive coaching	Executive Coaching	Leadership Training
1-on-1 or Group based	1-on-1	1-on-1	Group & residential
No of employees who rec'd service ¹	1	2	3
Total no of hours involved for all employees	1.7 hours	4.3 hours	82 hours of contact time
Total amount of fees	\$654.5	\$1179.5	\$8520
Description of fees charged	Hourly rate	Hourly rate	Complete package
Location of service	Canberra	Canberra	Bowral
No of employees who took part	1	2	3
Total no of hours	1.7 hours	4.3 hours	82 hours of contact time

One employee attended two different sessions. Therefore there were six occasions of training but only five employees in total who attended.