

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing – October 2009**

**Department of Finance and Deregulation**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Outcome 2, Program 2.1**

**Topic: Australian Government Fleet**

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**Senator Ronaldson asked:**

With reference to the Commonwealth Government's whole-of-government vehicle leasing arrangements:

- (1) How many vehicles are currently leased by each department, including their portfolio agencies?
- (2) By department, how many of the vehicles in (a) above:
  - (a) Are powered by Liquefied Petroleum Gas or Liquefied Natural Gas engines;
  - (b) Are powered by hybrid electric-petrol engines;
  - (c) Are purely petrol driven four cylinder engines;
  - (d) Are powered by:
    - (i) Turbocharged engines, including:
      1. turbo diesel; and
      2. turbo petrol.
    - (ii) Supercharged engines;
    - (iii) Eight cylinder engines.
- (3) What was:
  - (a) The total cost of the Commonwealth Government's vehicle contract for the 2008/09 financial year; and
  - (a) The total cost was for petrol.
- (4) How many of these vehicles score more than 10 out of 20 on the *Green Vehicle Guide*?

**Answer:**

- (1) As at 30 June 2009, there were 7,690 commercial and passenger vehicles leased under the whole-of-government Fleet Management Agreement (FMA). This includes all agencies that operate subject to the *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* and some agencies that operate subject to the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* which have elected to use the FMA.

- (2) (a) 135 vehicles are powered by Liquefied Petroleum Gas. No vehicles are powered by Liquefied Natural Gas.
- (b) 241 vehicles are powered by hybrid electric-petrol engines;
- (c) 2,693 vehicles are purely petrol driven four cylinder engines;
- (d) There are:
- i. 1,020 turbocharged diesel vehicles;
  - ii. 113 turbocharged petrol vehicles;
  - iii. No vehicles are powered by supercharged engines; and
  - iv. 128 vehicles are powered by eight cylinder petrol engines.

Please refer to the table at **Attachment A**.

- (3) (a) The total cost for the Commonwealth Government's vehicle leasing arrangements, inclusive of fuel, for the period of 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009 was \$121,351,309 (ex GST).
- (b) The total cost for petrol for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009 was \$19,964,762 (ex GST).
- (4) Of the 7,690 commercial and passenger vehicles in the leased fleet as at 30 June 2009, 3,968 vehicles or 51 percent of the leased fleet, achieved a Green Vehicle Guide score of greater than 10 out of 20.

In preparing the answer, the following assumptions have been made:

- The dual-fuel (petrol / liquefied petroleum gas) Holden Commodore has been listed as LPG-fuelled.
- Commercial vehicles powered by a range of turbo-diesel engines have been included in the response.
- The response as it relates to vehicles powered by eight cylinder engines refers only to petrol powered vehicles. To avoid duplication, commercial vehicles powered by eight cylinder turbo diesel engines have been reported in the turbo diesel category.

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**Attachment A**

The table below details the vehicles in each category as at 30 June 2009. With regard to Question 2(a), there are no vehicles in the fleet fuelled by Liquefied Natural Gas.

|  | Number of Vehicles | 4-Cyl Petrol | 8-Cylinder (Petrol) | Hybrid | LPG | Turbo Petrol | Turbo Diesel | Other |
|--|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------|-----|--------------|--------------|-------|
| <b>Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Portfolio</b> |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry    | <b>82</b>          | 5            | 0                   | 0      | 1   | 1            | 34           | 41    |
| Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service         | <b>465</b>         | 213          | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 40           | 211   |
| <b>Attorney-Generals Portfolio</b>                   |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Attorney-General's Department                        | <b>69</b>          | 14           | 0                   | 3      | 0   | 5            | 5            | 42    |
| Administrative Appeals Tribunal                      | <b>19</b>          | 1            | 0                   | 4      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 14    |
| Australian Customs and Border Protection Services    | <b>349</b>         | 87           | 4                   | 2      | 2   | 1            | 64           | 189   |
| Australian Federal Police                            | <b>991</b>         | 196          | 34                  | 4      | 57  | 31           | 142          | 527   |
| Australian Federal Police Association                | <b>3</b>           | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| Australian Institute of Police Management            | <b>2</b>           | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |

|  | Number of Vehicles | 4-Cyl Petrol | 8-Cylinder (Petrol) | Hybrid | LPG | Turbo Petrol | Turbo Diesel | Other |
|--|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------|-----|--------------|--------------|-------|
| Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre                 | 6                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 5     |
| Family Court of Australia  | 41                 | 3            | 11                  | 1      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 26    |
| Federal Court of Australia   | 48                 | 3            | 2                   | 4      | 0   | 6            | 8            | 25    |
| Federal Magistrates Court of Australia                             | 62                 | 2            | 2                   | 8      | 0   | 2            | 5            | 43    |
| Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission                      | 3                  | 0            | 1                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia                           | 4                  | 1            | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| National Capital Authority   | 7                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 1            | 3            | 2     |
| National Native Title Tribunal                                     | 7                  | 3            | 1                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 3     |
| Office of Parliamentary Counsel                                    | 7                  | 1            | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 1            | 4     |
| Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions                      | 15                 | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 1            | 0            | 13    |
| <b>Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy Portfolio</b> |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy    | 19                 | 0            | 0                   | 2      | 0   | 2            | 0            | 15    |
| Australian Communications and Media Authority                      | 27                 | 5            | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 11           | 10    |
| Australian Broadcasting Corporation                                | 337                | 98           | 5                   | 6      | 0   | 0            | 51           | 177   |
| <b>Defence Portfolio</b>   |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Defence  | 535                | 143          | 28                  | 6      | 3   | 12           | 43           | 300   |
| Defence Services Homes Insurance                                   | 1                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |
| Defence Housing Authority  | 171                | 168          | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 3     |

|   | Number of Vehicles | 4-Cyl Petrol | 8-Cylinder (Petrol) | Hybrid | LPG | Turbo Petrol | Turbo Diesel | Other |
|---|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------|-----|--------------|--------------|-------|
| <b>Employment, Education and Workplace Relations Portfolio</b>  |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations     | <b>259</b>         | 57           | 7                   | 12     | 6   | 10           | 23           | 144   |
| Fairwork Australia  | <b>38</b>          | 1            | 0                   | 3      | 0   | 2            | 2            | 30    |
| Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner | <b>21</b>          | 21           | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 0     |
| Office of the Fairwork Ombudsman                                | <b>50</b>          | 40           | 0                   | 0      | 2   | 0            | 0            | 8     |
| Comcare   | <b>18</b>          | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 12           | 6     |
| <b>Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts Portfolio</b>      |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts         | <b>44</b>          | 8            | 0                   | 13     | 0   | 1            | 11           | 11    |
| Australian Antarctic Division                                   | <b>8</b>           | 1            | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 3            | 3     |
| Parks Australia   | <b>1</b>           | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 0     |
| Office of Supervising the Scientist                             | <b>10</b>          | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 1   | 0            | 5            | 4     |
| Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority                        | <b>14</b>          | 4            | 0                   | 3      | 0   | 0            | 5            | 2     |
| Bureau of Meteorology   | <b>84</b>          | 18           | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 31           | 35    |
| Australian Film Television and Radio School                     | <b>5</b>           | 4            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 1            | 0     |
| National Film and Sound Archive                                 | <b>6</b>           | 2            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 1            | 3     |
| National Library of Australia                                   | <b>9</b>           | 1            | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 7     |
| National Museum of Australia                                    | <b>13</b>          | 11           | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| National Botanic Gardens  | <b>8</b>           | 2            | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 5            | 0     |
| National Water Commission                                       | <b>4</b>           | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 1   | 0            | 0            | 2     |

|   | Number of Vehicles | 4-Cyl Petrol | 8-Cylinder (Petrol) | Hybrid | LPG | Turbo Petrol | Turbo Diesel | Other |
|---|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------|-----|--------------|--------------|-------|
| Sydney Harbour Federation Trust   | 4                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 1   | 0            | 1            | 2     |
| Ionospheric Prediction Service  | 3                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| <b>Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs Portfolio</b> |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs    | 260                | 55           | 3                   | 2      | 0   | 3            | 144          | 53    |
| Social Security Appeals Tribunal  | 3                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| <b>Finance and Deregulation Portfolio</b>                                     |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Finance and Deregulation  | 51                 | 9            | 5                   | 1      | 0   | 4            | 3            | 29    |
| Australian Electoral Commission   | 20                 | 9            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 11    |
| COMCAR  | 168                | 7            | 0                   | 5      | 0   | 0            | 2            | 154   |
| ComSuper  | 7                  | 2            | 0                   | 0      | 1   | 0            | 0            | 4     |
| Ministerial and Parliamentary Services  | 282                | 10           | 7                   | 20     | 2   | 5            | 14           | 224   |
| <b>Foreign Affairs and Trade Portfolio</b>                                    |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade                                       | 129                | 27           | 0                   | 9      | 0   | 0            | 11           | 82    |
| AusAID  | 23                 | 3            | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 3            | 16    |
| Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research                     | 2                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |
| Australian Trade Commission   | 7                  | 7            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 0     |

|   | Number of Vehicles | 4-Cyl Petrol | 8-Cylinder (Petrol) | Hybrid | LPG | Turbo Petrol | Turbo Diesel | Other |
|---|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------|-----|--------------|--------------|-------|
| <b>Health and Ageing Portfolio</b>                        |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Health and Ageing                           | 81                 | 64           | 0                   | 2      | 3   | 0            | 2            | 10    |
| Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency | 1                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |
| Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority                   | 6                  | 5            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |
| National Blood Authority                                  | 1                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |
| National Health and Medical Research Council              | 1                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 1            | 0            | 0     |
| Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency Ltd          | 21                 | 14           | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 7     |
| Food Standards Australia and New Zealand                  | 2                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| <b>Human Services Portfolio</b>                           |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Human Services                              | 34                 | 27           | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 7     |
| Centrelink  | 922                | 772          | 2                   | 5      | 17  | 0            | 61           | 65    |
| Medicare Australia  | 81                 | 34           | 0                   | 19     | 6   | 2            | 3            | 17    |
| Australian Hearing Services                               | 30                 | 12           | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 2            | 16    |
| Health Services Australia Ltd                             | 41                 | 4            | 0                   | 15     | 0   | 0            | 1            | 21    |
| CRS Australia   | 215                | 119          | 1                   | 0      | 17  | 0            | 4            | 74    |
| <b>Immigration and Citizenship Portfolio</b>              |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Immigration and Citizenship                 | 180                | 55           | 1                   | 19     | 2   | 3            | 30           | 70    |
| Migration and Refugee Review Tribunal                     | 2                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 1            | 0     |

|   | Number of Vehicles | 4-Cyl Petrol | 8-Cylinder (Petrol) | Hybrid | LPG | Turbo Petrol | Turbo Diesel | Other |
|---|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------|-----|--------------|--------------|-------|
| <b>Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government Portfolio</b> |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government    | 42                 | 16           | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 1            | 4            | 21    |
| Airservices Australia   | 148                | 20           | 1                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 61           | 66    |
| Australian Rail Track Corporation Ltd   | 132                | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 68           | 63    |
| Civil Aviation Safety Authority   | 50                 | 8            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 2            | 6            | 34    |
| <b>Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio</b>                           |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research                              | 89                 | 26           | 0                   | 2      | 0   | 3            | 3            | 55    |
| Australian Research Council   | 3                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 2            | 1     |
| IP Australia  | 7                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 1   | 1            | 1            | 3     |
| National Science and Technology Centre  | 6                  | 3            | 0                   | 0      | 1   | 0            | 2            | 0     |
| <b>Parliament Portfolio</b>   |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of the Senate  | 6                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 1            | 4     |
| Department of the House of Representatives  | 7                  | 2            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 5     |
| Department of Parliamentary Services  | 14                 | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 3            | 11    |
| <b>Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio</b>   |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet  | 34                 | 11           | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 2            | 20    |
| Australian Institute of Family Studies  | 2                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| Australian National Audit Office  | 3                  | 0            | 0                   | 2      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |



|  | Number of Vehicles | 4-Cyl Petrol | 8-Cylinder (Petrol) | Hybrid | LPG | Turbo Petrol | Turbo Diesel | Other |
|--|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------|-----|--------------|--------------|-------|
| Australian Public Service Commission                     | 7                  | 2            | 0                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 4     |
| Department of Climate Change                             | 8                  | 1            | 0                   | 4      | 0   | 0            | 2            | 1     |
| National Archives of Australia                           | 8                  | 5            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 1            | 2     |
| Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman                     | 2                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 2     |
| Office of National Assessments                           | 14                 | 2            | 1                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 5            | 6     |
| Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General | 1                  | 0            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |
| Old Parliament House                                     | 1                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 0     |
| <b>Resources, Energy and Tourism Portfolio</b>           |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism              | 12                 | 2            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 1            | 1            | 8     |
| Geoscience Australia                                     | 26                 | 6            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 2            | 8            | 10    |
| <b>Treasury Portfolio</b>                                |                    |              |                     |        |     |              |              |       |
| The Treasury   | 5                  | 0            | 0                   | 3      | 0   | 0            | 1            | 1     |
| Australian Bureau of Statistics                          | 55                 | 35           | 0                   | 0      | 5   | 1            | 0            | 14    |
| Australian Competition and Consumer Commission           | 18                 | 6            | 1                   | 1      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 10    |
| Australian Securities and Investments Commission         | 18                 | 14           | 0                   | 3      | 0   | 0            | 1            | 0     |
| Australian Taxation Office                               | 368                | 108          | 11                  | 34     | 0   | 7            | 2            | 206   |
| Commonwealth Grants Commission                           | 2                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 1     |
| Australian Valuation Office                              | 86                 | 16           | 0                   | 14     | 0   | 0            | 54           | 2     |
| Productivity Commission                                  | 7                  | 1            | 0                   | 0      | 0   | 0            | 0            | 6     |

|                                    | Number of Vehicles | 4-Cyl Petrol | 8-Cylinder (Petrol) | Hybrid     | LPG        | Turbo Petrol | Turbo Diesel | Other        |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Royal Australian Mint              | 1                  | 0            | 0                   | 0          | 1          | 0            | 0            | 0            |
| <b>Veterans' Affairs Portfolio</b> |                    |              |                     |            |            |              |              |              |
| Department of Veterans' Affairs    | 60                 | 33           | 0                   | 0          | 2          | 0            | 4            | 21           |
| Australian War Memorial            | 9                  | 2            | 0                   | 0          | 3          | 2            | 0            | 2            |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                      | <b>7,690</b>       | <b>2,693</b> | <b>128</b>          | <b>241</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>113</b>   | <b>1,020</b> | <b>3,370</b> |