



**Treasurer
Minister for Industrial Relations**

Supplementary Budget Estimates Questions

- (1) How much has been spent to date on legal fees in connection with the challenge to the Australian Energy Regulator's determination by Endeavour Energy, Ausgrid and Essential Energy? In answering this question, please provide a breakdown of those fees by type.
- (2) How much is estimates to be spent in total legal fees in connection with the challenge to the Australian Energy Regulator's determination by Endeavour Energy, Ausgrid and Essential Energy? In answering this question, please provide a breakdown of those fees by type.
- (3) How much has been spent in total to date on all matters in connection with the challenge to the Australian Energy Regulator's determination by Endeavour Energy, Ausgrid and Essential Energy? In answering this question, please provide a breakdown of that spending type or category.
- (4) What is the estimated total expenditure on all matters in connection with the challenge to the Australian Energy Regulator's determination by Endeavour Energy, Ausgrid and Essential Energy? In answering this question, please provide a breakdown of the spending by type or category.

ANSWER

I am advised that to date, Endeavour Energy, Ausgrid and Essential Energy have spent around \$6.4m in legal fees and around \$0.8m in economic consultant fees.

As you are aware, the appeals of the Australian Energy Regulator's determination are a matter for individual businesses.

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