QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 357

asked on Thursday, 8 March 2007

MR HOPPER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER AND MINISTER ASSISTING THE PREMIER IN NORTH QUEENSLAND (MR WALLACE)—

QUESTION:

What is the breakdown of hospitality and entertainment received for chief executive officers and senior executive service officers for his department/s in 2005-06 and 2006-07 (year to date), detailing (a) names of the officers receiving the hospitality and entertainment, (b) type of the hospitality and entertainment received for each officer, (c) provider of the hospitality and entertainment for each officer, (d) total value of the hospitality or entertainment including travel and accommodation if relevant, (e) purpose of the hospitality or entertainment and (f) benefit to the Queensland taxpayer?

ANSWER:

In August 2003, the Beattie Government approved a new Gifts and Benefits Policy covering all state public servants. The release of this new policy demonstrates this government's commitment to transparency and accountability and expects a high standard of ethical behaviour by public service employees.

The policy makes it clear to public servants how to make decisions about accepting offers.

Natural Resources and Water Hospitality and Entertainment Received

ATTACHMENT A

Date Gift Received	(a) names of the officers receiving the hospitality and entertainment	(b) type of the hospitality and entertainment received for each officer	(c) provider of the hospitality and entertainment for each officer	(d) total value of the hospitality or entertainment including travel and accommodation if relevant	(e) purpose of the hospitality or entertainment	(f) benefit to the Queensland taxpayer
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2005-06 Financial Year

2/07/2005	Bob McCarthy	Tickets to a sporting event	BMA Coal	\$250.00	Networking with Mining stakeholders	Networking with industry
1/03/2006	Paul Martyn	Tickets to the theatre	Ernst and Young	\$120.00	Representing Bob McCarthy	Networking with industry
1/03/2006	Paul Martyn and Partner	Tickets to the theatre	Ernst and Young	\$170.00	DG unable to attend, received tickets in his absence	Networking with industry
5/04/2006	Bob McCarthy	Tickets to a conference	Ernst and Young	\$121.00	Official invitation to Bob McCarthy - accepted.	To understand and join discussions on Commonwealth Government's position on government market dominance in water industry
17/03/2006	Bob McCarthy and Emily McCarthy	Tickets to the theatre	MinterEllison Lawyers	\$290.00	Official invitation to Bob McCarthy and partner - accepted	Attend MinterEllison networking event as government representative
12/11/2005	Bryan Coulter & Guest	Tickets to the theatre	Qld Gas	\$220.00	Invitation from Richard Cottee of Qld Gas - accepted.	Networking with industry
5/04/2006	Bryan Coulter	Lunch	Qld Gas	\$132.00	Invitation from Qld Gas - accepted.	Networking with industry
7/08/2005	Bob McCarthy	Tickets to a sporting event	Rio Tinto	\$150.00	Networking with Mining stakeholders	Networking with industry
12/04/2006	Paul Martyn	Lunch	Rio Tinto	\$60.00	Discussions re MRA Review	Insight into coal industry issues with regulatory framework

8/05/2006	Paul Martyn	Lunch	Rio Tinto	\$90.00	Hear speech by Chair	Insight into global issues impacting on Qld
	-				of Rio Tinto,	mining industry
					accompany DG	

2006-07 Financial Year (through to 8 March 2007)

1/08/2006	Gregory Kenneth Claydon	Tickets to the theatre	Parsons Brinkerhoff Consulting Engineers	\$295.00	Across industry networking	Networking with industry
23/08/2006	Bob McCarthy	Lunch	Parsons Brinkerhoff Consulting Engineers	\$60.00	Business Discussion	For industry to understand resource requirements to deliver key government drought projects
22/11/2006	Gregory Kenneth Claydon	Tickets to a sporting event	Parsons Brinkerhoff Consulting Engineers	\$435.00	Across industry networking	Networking with industry
22/09/2006	Scott Spencer	Lunch	Queensland Farmers Federation	\$50.00	To attend a presentation by Malcolm Turnbull	Networking with industry
2/10/2006	Scott Spencer	Dinner	Queensland Farmers Federation	\$75.00	To attend the Annual General Meeting	Networking with industry
26/02/2007	Margaret Berenyi	Dinner	Queensland Farmers Federation	\$40.00	Networking and industry liaison	Maintain networks and understanding of contemporary issues to facilitate effective management.
26/02/2007	Scott Spencer	Dinner	Queensland Farmers Federation	\$40.00	Networking and industry liaison	Maintain networks and understanding of contemporary issues to facilitate effective management.
26/02/2007	Chris Robson	Dinner	Queensland Farmers Federation	\$40.00	Networking and industry liaison	Maintain networks and understanding of contemporary issues to facilitate effective management.
26/02/2007	Iain Graeme Milligan	Dinner	Queensland Farmers Federation	\$40.00	Networking and industry liaison	Maintain networks and understanding of contemporary issues to facilitate effective management.
26/02/2007	Debbie Best	Dinner	Queensland Farmers Federation	\$40.00	Networking and industry liaison	Maintain networks and understanding of contemporary issues to facilitate effective management.
29/07/2006	Bob McCarthy	Tickets to a sporting event	Santos	\$250.00	Official invitation to Bob McCarthy and partner - accepted.	For DG discussions with industry on commercial interests in oil and gas industry and development in Western Queensland