

**Question on Notice**

**No. 1693**

**Asked on 11 November 2008**

**MR NICHOLLS ASKED THE TREASURER (MR FRASER)—**

With reference to the Corporate Entertainment and Hospitality Guidelines he tabled on 9 September 2008, which state that quarterly reports to shareholding ministers are to include reporting on individual events which cost over \$5,000 and the benefits accruing from them—

- (1) Has he received any reports about such events in the first quarter of 2008-09 from government owned corporations (GOCs) for which he is a shareholding minister and if so, will he provide details of what the event was and how much it cost (each event and GOC reported separately)?
- (2) What benefits have accrued from these events (each event and GOC reported separately)?
- (3) What is the total actual expenditure incurred in the first quarter of 2008-09 on corporate entertainment and hospitality (each GOC reported separately)?

**ANSWER:**

As previously announced the new guidelines apply from the current quarter and I expect to receive the first report early in the New Year.

Under the Government's commitment to reform under the Right to Information legislation, the information provided by GOCs under the guidelines will be pro-actively released in the new six monthly reports for each GOC.