



## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

### SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2014-2015

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### ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS



Asked by **MS BERRY** on 16 June 2014 : Treasurer took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to : **ACTTAB Sale – Communication with staff**

**MS BERRY:** I have a whole bunch of questions. I know that you have been asked a few of these before in other rooms in this building, but I wondered whether you could give us a list of all the occasions when you have contacted staff or their representatives about the future of ACTTAB?

**Mr Barr:** Yes, we can certainly provide—I understand that the updates are fortnightly.

**Mr Curtis:** Yes, there have been regular updates since the announcement back in, I think, December this time around. Whenever there is anything new I will communicate to the staff. We have probably done that on approximately 20 occasions since December.

Treasurer: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

A summary of the occasions when staff and/or the United Services Union have been contacted about the future of ACTTAB is as follows:

<b>29 September 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO and the Union jointly addressed a staff meeting at ACTTAB Headquarters</li> <li>• CEO email to all employees concerning future of ACTTAB</li> </ul>
<b>22 October 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Officials from Commerce and Works Directorate met with the Union to discuss the future of ACTTAB</li> </ul>
<b>30 October 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Officials from Commerce and Works Directorate held follow up meeting with the Union.</li> </ul>
<b>1 November 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair of ACTTAB Project Team email to Union confirming ACTTAB to engage consultant to assist staff with change management</li> </ul>
<b>6 November 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff concerning proposal to engage consultant to provide employee assistance in relation to change management</li> </ul>

<b>29 November 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff concerning Assembly resolution agreeing to sale of ACTTAB and encouraging participation in a staff aspiration survey</li> </ul>
<b>4 December 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff concerning sale and disclosure of information</li> </ul>
<b>12 December 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO message in Staff Newsletter</li> </ul>
<b>18 December 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair of ACTTAB Project Team email to the Union to confirm Government sale objectives and that prospective bidders will be asked to provide their best offering in meeting these objectives including support for existing staff</li> </ul>
<b>14 January 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>
<b>28 January 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>
<b>31 January 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff concerning newspaper advertisements relating to the sale</li> </ul>
<b>7 February 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>
<b>19 February 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair of ACTTAB Project Team email to the Union indicating no information to report on staffing outcomes as the sale process still in the early stages</li> </ul>
<b>24 February 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>
<b>11 March 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process.</li> </ul>
<b>26 March 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>
<b>8 April 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process.</li> </ul>
<b>17 April 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>
<b>15 May 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>
<b>21 May 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>
<b>10 June 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO email message to all staff update on progress of sale process</li> </ul>

Additionally, ACTTAB's CEO has addressed five informal morning tea/staff farewell functions and included specific references to the sale process.

All CEO updates were copied to the United Services Union.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2014-2015

Signature: *Andrew Barr*

Date: 27 June 2014

By the Treasurer, Andrew Barr MLA