

MINISTER FOR WATER — PORTFOLIOS — PURCHASING CARDS

133. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the minister representing the Minister for Water; Forestry; Youth:

For each department and agency within the Minister's portfolio, could the Minister please provide information for the financial year 2019–2020, concerning the use of purchasing cards (including debit and credit cards) including:

- (a) how many cards were issued to staff;
- (b) what expenditure and transaction limits applied to the use of those cards;
- (c) the total dollar value of transactions made via those cards;
- (d) the total number of transactions made via those cards; and
- (e) a breakdown of the categories of goods and services purchased via those cards?

Hon Alannah MacTiernan replied:

Aqwest

- (a) There were six (6) cards active during the 2019–2020 financial year, however two (2) were also cancelled during the same financial year.
- (b) All cards have a \$15k monthly limit. Four (4) cards have a transaction limit of \$5k and two (2) cards have a transaction limit of \$2k.
- (c) The total dollar value of transactions was \$81 677.65 including GST.
- (d) The total number of transactions was 244.
- (e) This detailed information would require considerable time, which would divert staff away from their normal duties and it is not considered to be a reasonable or appropriate use of government resources to provide this information. If the member has a more specific query, I will endeavour to provide a reply.

Busselton Water

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Card 1	\$20 000	\$5 798.42	9	This detailed information would require considerable time, which would divert staff away from their normal duties and it is not considered to be a reasonable or appropriate use of government resources to provide this information. If the member has a more specific query, I will endeavour to provide a reply.
Card 2	\$10 000	\$23 702.32	57	
Card 3	\$5 000	\$16 852.94	31	

Department of Communities

Please refer to question on notice LC 132.

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Please refer to question on notice LC 134.

Forest Products Commission

- (a) 85
- (b)

Spend/Credit Limit	No. of Account
\$1 000	3
\$2 000	34
\$3 000	1
\$4 000	4
\$5 000	23
\$7 000	1
\$10 000	9
\$15 000	4
\$20 000	5
\$25 000	1

Grand Total	85
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- (c) \$337 656
- (d) 2 629
- (e) This detailed information would require considerable time, which would divert staff away from their normal duties and it is not considered to be a reasonable or appropriate use of government resources to provide this information. If the member has a more specific query, I will endeavour to provide a reply.

Water Corporation

- (a) Water Corporation had 806 active cards during the 2019–2020 financial year, however 77 of those cards were cancelled during the same financial year.
- (b) Limits on Water Corporation purchasing cards vary according to role and may be between \$200 and \$10 000 per transaction with monthly card spends limited to between \$500 and \$30 000.
- (c) \$9 151 491
- (d) 42 269
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