

## ORIGINAL REQUEST (4 OCTOBER)

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To: AEC

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1 Dear Australian Electoral Commission,

2 This request is in two parts. I am happy for you to consider the  
3 request as a single request as they are all closely related, or as  
4 multiple requests if that is preferable for you.

5 \* Part 1: source code for counting software

6 I am seeking source code for the software used to conduct the count  
7 of votes for a Senate election.

8 This request includes scripts or interpreted code used within  
9 another piece of software (for example, T-SQL scripts, stored  
10 procedures etc).

11 This request excludes software used for data entry or for  
12 interpretation of those scripts but includes data validation  
13 software if that is distinct from data entry software.

14 This request may encompass more than one piece of software and I  
15 seek source code for each.

16 \* Part 2: data specifications

17 I am seeking any documents which describe bespoke data formats used  
18 by any of the software sought in Part 1, either as input or output  
19 formats.

20 This request excludes any data formats which are human readable or  
21 for which published specifications are available (e.g. PDF).

22 For clarity, the types of documents I am seeking may include  
23 database table specifications, EBNF specifications for bespoke  
24 input data, column descriptors for CSV files, XML schemas or  
25 similar documents.

26 I am seeking a waiver of all associated access charges on the basis  
27 that publication of these documents would be in the public  
28 interest. In particular it would provide public confidence that the  
29 electronic count is conducted in accordance with the law.

30 Yours faithfully,

31 Michael Cordover