

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

**Additional Estimates Hearings February 2014**

**Communications Portfolio**

**Special Broadcasting Service**

**Question No: 284**

**Program No. Special Broadcasting Service (SBS)**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Provision of equipment**

**Senator Ludwig asked:**

Other than desktop computers, list all electronic equipment provided to Department/Agency staff.

- a. List the items
- b. List the purchase cost
- c. List the ongoing cost
- d. List the staff and staff classification that receive the equipment.

**Answer:**

- a. Apple iPads; Apple iPhones; Windows Mobile 8 devices; Android devices; mobile internet devices (dongles and MiFi).
- b. Refer to question 283.
- c. Refer to question 283.
- d. Mobile data devices (smartphones and tablets) are issued to employees to gain mobile access to the company email system, the internet and general IT resources. In providing staff with equipment to fulfil their duties away from SBS offices, the nature and needs of individual roles are taken into account and approved by senior management. SBS is not an Australian Public Service agency and does not use the Australian Public Service employment classifications.