

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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13 – 14 February 2013

Question: AET 436-437

Topic: Coffee Machines

Written: Received from Committee – 22 February 2013

Senator BUSHBY asked:

436. Has the Department/Agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
- a. Why were coffee machines purchased?
 - b. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased?
 - I. Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
 - c. Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
 - d. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines?
 - I. How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date (22 February 2013) - include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken.
 - II. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
 - e. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machines, such as the cost of coffee?
437. Does the Department/Agency rent coffee machines for staff usage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
- a. Why are coffee machines rented?
 - b. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented?
 - I. Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
 - c. Where does the funding for renting the coffee machines come from?
 - d. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the rented coffee machines?
 - I. How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date (22 February 2013) - include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken.
 - II. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
 - e. What are the ongoing costs of the rented coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?

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Answer:

436. Yes. A domestic cappuccino machine was purchased with Qantas Frequent Flyer points for staff use. Two Delonghi Nespresso coffee machines were purchased in June 2011 for use for hearings and meetings with external parties at a cost of \$299 each. Coffee capsules cost 68 cents each.
- a. For use for hearings and meetings with external parties.
 - b. N/A
 - c. Departmental budget
 - d. Finance and Corporate Services Branch
 - I. Nil
 - II. Departmental budget
 - e. Coffee capsules cost 68 cents each.
437. No.
- a. N/A
 - b. N/A
 - c. N/A
 - d. N/A
 - I. N/A
 - II. N/A
 - e. N/A