

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Supplementary Budget Estimates

17 October – 18 October 2012

**Question: SBT 1760-1762**

**Topic: Electricity (IGT)**

**Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012**

**Senator MCKENZIE asked:**

1760. For the financial year 2011-2012, how many kilowatt hour of electricity did the department/ agency consume?
- What was the total cost?
  - What does this cost work out to per employee?
1761. What increases in electricity costs has the Department/ agency experienced since the introduction of the carbon tax?
- How has this changed the Department/ agency's spending pattern?
  - What programs or services have been cut to meet the increased costs?
1762. What measures is the Department/ agency taking to reduce its electricity expenditure?
- When did these commence?
  - What impact have they had?

**Answer:**

1760. 33,491kWh
- \$9,531.
  - \$1,191.
1761. The cost per kWh for the year-to-date as at 26 October 2012 is 33.2 cents compared to 28.5 cents for the 2011-12 financial year.
- No.
  - Nil.
1762. The Inspector-General of Taxation agency (IGT) actively pursues measures to reduce its overall environmental performance including energy consumption. The owner of the leased premises has active energy strategies.
- The IGT generally seeks to conform with the Department of Treasury's policies where appropriate including the Environment Management Plan.