

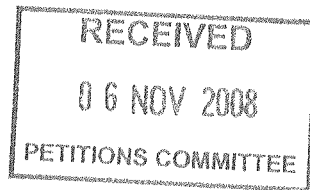
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Ms Julia Morris
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Standing Committee on Petitions
Parliament House
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Dear Ms Morris

At the Standing Committee on Petitions held on Wednesday, 24 September 2008 I took on notice a question from Mr Russell Broadbent, the Federal Member for McMillan, on the cost to Australia Post of maintaining heritage listed properties.

I can report to the Committee that the total repairs and maintenance cost to Australia Post for maintaining heritage listed properties for the 2007/08 financial year was \$1.675m.

Further to the evidence provided at the Committee hearing I can also confirm that Australia Post has 125 properties that have some heritage restriction, at either a Local, State or Commonwealth level. All of these properties were inspected by our Heritage advisors as part of our recent heritage audit.

Yours sincerely

Paul Burke