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NBN Co Limited

Question No: 226

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Topic: Kitchen appliances

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

Since 1 January 2016 has NBN Co purchased, leased or rented any kitchen appliances over the value of \$1000?

- (a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of appliance, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of consumables and when the appliance was purchased?
- (b) Why were the appliances purchased?
- (c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since the appliances were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
- (d) Where did the funding for the appliances come from?
- (e) Who has access?
- (f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the appliances? How much was spent on maintenance, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
- (g) What are the other ongoing costs of the appliances?

Answer:

- (a) 4 dishwashers (cost \$1259, \$1299, \$1090, \$1399) and 2 fridges (cost \$1425, \$5015). All appliances have electricity as an ongoing cost and each dishwasher consumes circa \$12 pw in detergent.
- (b) For staff kitchens.
- (c) No productivity studies have been undertaken.
- (d) Capital expenditure budget.
- (e) All staff have access.
- (f) Broadspectrum P/L holds a comprehensive maintenance contract for each item upon warranty expiry and no maintenance has been undertaken to-date. Maintenance is from the opex budget.
- (g) None.