

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

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Communications Portfolio

Australian Communications and Media Authority

Question No: 153

Program No. Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA)

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Land Costs

Senator Ludwig asked:

- 1) How much land (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease?
- 2) Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department, or agency or authority or Government Corporation within that portfolio? *(In regards to this question please ignore land upon which Australian Defence force bases are located. Non Defence Force base land is to be included)*
- 3) List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above.
 - a. What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)?
 - b. What is the value of the items identified in (3)?
 - c. What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)?
- 4) How many buildings (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease?
- 5) Please list by each building owned, its name, the size of the building in terms of square metres, the location of that of that building and the latest valuation of that building, where that building is owned by the Department, or agency or authority or Government corporation within that portfolio? *(In regards to this question please ignore buildings that are situated on Australian Defence force bases. Non Defence Force base buildings are to be included).*
- 6) In regards to any building identified in Q4, please also detail, the occupancy rate as expressed as a percentage of the building size. If occupancy is identified as less than 100%, for what is the remaining space used?

Answer:

- 1) The ACMA owns or leases 17 land holdings across Australia.
- 2) The ACMA's land holdings are:

Name	Size in hectares	Location	Land Value	Owned or Leased
Quoin Ridge	50.6	Richmond TAS	\$0.175M	Owned
South Morang	5	McArthurs Rd, South Morang VIC	\$0.475M	Owned

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Lucas Heights	< 1	Lucas Heights NSW	N/A	Leased
Warrimoo	< 1	Victoria St, Warrimoo NSW	N/A	Leased
Beechmont	< 1	Beechmont Rd, Beechmont, QLD	N/A	Leased
Capalaba	62.38	Old Cleveland Rd, Birkdale, QLD	\$5.0M	Owned
Slade Point	< 1	2 Albatross St, Slade Point QLD	N/A	Leased
Maleny	< 1	Montville Rd, Maleny, QLD	N/A	Leased
Brooklyn Park	< 1	Airport Rd, Adelaide ,SA	\$0.2M	Owned
Goosbury Hill	< 1	Graham Road, Gooseberry Hill WA	N/A	Leased
Bullsbrook	4	RAAF Pearce, 3 TU, Bullsbrook WA	N/A	Leased
Garden Island	< 1	HMAS Stirling, North End, Garden Island WA	N/A	Leased
Cox Peninsula	200	Cox Peninsula NT	\$0.0M	Owned(*)
Fingerpost Hill	< 1	Table Cape Rd, Table Cape, TAS	N/A	Leased
Flat Top Range	< 1	Resources Reserve, Rockhampton	N/A	Leased
Childers	< 1	Corner of Goodwood Road & Bruce Highway Childers QLD	N/A	Leased
Torrens Island	1.25	Torrens Island, SA	N/A	Leased

(*)The ACMA is currently working with Finance to transfer the land title of Cox Peninsula in line with the Kenbi Land Claim and has not undertaken a land valuation.

3) The ACMA's current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) are:

Name	Occupancy level	Occupant	Asset Value	Owned or Leased
	a.	a.	b.	c.
Quoin Ridge	1	1	\$0.360M	Owned
South Morang	0	0	\$0.192M	Owned
Lucas Heights	0	0	\$0.035M	Leased
Warrimoo	0	0	\$0.040M	Leased
Beechmont	0	0	\$0.071M	Leased
Capalaba	0	0	\$0.118M	Owned

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Slade Point	0	0	\$0.050M	Leased
Maleny	0	0	\$0.045M	Leased
Brooklyn Park	0	0	\$0.080M	Owned
Goosbury Hill	0	0	\$0.030M	Leased
Bullsbrook	0	0	\$0.027M	Leased
Garden Island	0	0	\$0.007M	Leased
Cox Peninsula	0	0	\$0.079M	Owned
Fingerpost Hill	0	0	\$0.040M	Leased
Flat Top Range	0	0	\$0.052M	Leased
Childers	0	0	\$0.026M	Leased
Torrens Island	0	0	\$0.0012M	Leased

4) The ACMA owns four buildings and leases one.

5) Details of each building are:

Site Name	Size in square metres	Location	Building Valuation	Owned or Leased
Quoin Ridge	275	Richmond TAS	\$0.120M	Owned
South Morang	60	McArthurs Rd, South Morang VIC	\$0.170M	Owned
Capalaba	250	Old Cleveland Rd, Birkdale, QLD	\$0.037M	Owned
Brooklyn Park	30	Airport Rd, Adelaide ,SA	\$0.036M	Owned
Red Building	5,384(*)	Benjamin Offices, Belconnen ACT	N/A	Leased

(*) 1,028 sqm of this building is empty and is currently advertised for sub-letting.

6) Occupancy rates of these buildings are:

- Quoin Ridge Staff occupancy is one. The building houses specialised equipment.
- South Morang The site is designed to operate unmanned and the building houses specialised equipment.
- Capalaba The site is designed to operate unmanned and the building houses specialised equipment.
- Brooklyn Park The site is designed to operate unmanned and the building houses specialised equipment.

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Red Building Staff occupancy is 76.15 per cent. A small amount of space is provided to ensure a flexible and agile work environment can be quickly adapted to meet changing needs of the agency and meeting rooms.
(N.B. – the occupancy rate does not include 1,028 sqm which the ACMA is currently seeking to sub-lease.)