

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee**

Answers to questions on notice
Environment and Energy portfolio

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Senator Bilyk asked:

Have the facilities of any of the Department's premises, or the premises of any agencies in the portfolio, been upgraded since 1 March 2017, for example, staff room refurbishments, kitchen refurbishments, bathroom refurbishments, the purchase of any new fridges, coffee machines, or other kitchen equipment?

If so, can a detailed description of the relevant facilities upgrade please be provided together with an itemised list of costs (GST inclusive)? Can any photographs of the upgraded facilities please be provided?

Answer: Please refer to the table below.

Department of the Environment and Energy

Details of upgrade and cost

Between 1 March and 22 May 2017, the Department purchased the following:

- two dishwashers costing \$2,388 GST inclusive
- one stove/oven costing \$2,090 GST inclusive
- one chest freezer costing \$440 GST inclusive.

These items were installed in staff kitchenettes within Departmental premises located in Canberra and Jabiru, Northern Territory. These items replaced existing equipment that had come to the end of its useful life and could not be repaired.

Since 1 March 2017 some bathroom, kitchen and end of journey facilities within the John Gorton Building have been upgraded. Any questions regarding these upgrades should be directed to the Department of Finance as landlord.

The Department has upgraded/refreshed the central foyer area of the John Gorton Building. This has been completed at a cost of \$399,635 GST inclusive.

This upgrade/refresh comprised:

- Relocation of the security guards desk within the foyer area
- Creation of a secure area for the guards in the case of an emergency
- Replacement of carpet with parquet tiles in the foyer area
- New carpet at the entrance to the foyer
- New signage
- Creation of display units
- Electrical works in the foyer area
- Security maintenance works associated with the relocation of the security guards desk
- Furniture

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

Details of upgrade and cost

The Sydney Harbour Federation Trust has refurbished the main kitchen in its offices at a total cost of \$5,229.91 GST inclusive. This involved a paint refresh and replacement of minor appliances detailed below.

- “Nero” stainless steel sandwich press - \$69.95 GST inclusive
- “Nero” Toaster 4 slice black - \$86.38 GST inclusive
- Painting of walls (Supplies) - \$805.44 GST inclusive
- Painting of walls (labour) - \$4,268.14 GST inclusive.

Clean Energy Regulator

Details of upgrade and cost

No refurbishments to the Agency’s premises have occurred between 1 March and 22 May 2017, however the following purchases were made:

- LG refrigerator – Model GT-332MPL x 2 - \$1,509.00 GST inclusive
- Russell Hobbs sandwich press x 8 - \$392.00 GST inclusive.

See photographs at **Attachment A**.

Australian Antarctic Division

Details of upgrade and cost

One area has been refurbished since 1 March 2017, being the Executive and Support area of the AAD. Works encompassed the following:

- Painting - \$3,289.00 GST inclusive
- Carpet tiles, supply and Installation - \$10,978.00 GST inclusive
- Automation of Door and programming changes - \$14,514.48 GST inclusive.

See photographs at **Attachment B**.

Parks Australia

Details of upgrade and cost

- Kitchen cupboards replacement at Australian National Botanic Gardens (Bottom Depot building) - \$1,828 GST inclusive.
See photograph at **Attachment C**
- Dishwasher replacement at Australian National Botanic Gardens (Administration Centre) - \$600 GST inclusive
- 2 x Hisense 526L Top Mount Fridge (Stainless Steel) [Staff Housing, Kakadu National Park] - \$1,900 GST inclusive
- 2 x Simpson 10kg Top Loader washing machine [Staff Housing, Kakadu National Park] - \$1,780 GST inclusive
- 3 x 540L Westinghouse Top Mount Fridge (White) [Staff Housing, Kakadu National Park] - \$2,844 GST inclusive
- 3 x 10KG Simpson Washing Machine - \$2,697 GST inclusive
- Installation of solar hot water service [Staff housing, Kakadu National Park] - \$14,850 GST inclusive
- Installation of air conditioners in 4 staff offices [Kakadu National Park] - \$7,150 GST inclusive
- Installation of Electric oven [Staff housing, Kakadu National Park] - \$1,195 GST inclusive
- Installation of range hood [Staff housing, Kakadu National Park] - \$455.07 GST inclusive.

Bureau of Meteorology

Details of upgrade and cost

Brisbane Office:

- Class B safe - \$3,236.20 GST inclusive
- Electronic whiteboard (whiteboard - \$2,345.00 GST inclusive, Installation - \$1,195.43 GST inclusive including electrical work to connect power)
- Shredder - \$2,745.60 GST inclusive
- Removal of an office to install additional desks - \$3,865.54 GST inclusive
- New office furniture and acoustic treatment - \$12,631.30 GST inclusive
- Additional data points and outlets - \$9,371.18 GST inclusive.

Canberra Office:

- Electronic whiteboard (whiteboard - \$2,345.00 GST inclusive, installation - \$55.00 GST inclusive).

No upgrades undertaken by the following Agencies

Clean Energy Finance Corporation

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
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Australian Renewable Energy Agency

Climate Change Authority

Attachment A
Clean Energy Regulator



Attachment B
Australian Antarctic Division



