

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
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Question No: 323

Program No: Australia Post

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Building Lease Costs

Senator Ludwig asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department?
2. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by:
 1. Date the lease agreement is active from.
 2. Date the lease agreement ends.
 3. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not?
 4. Location of the building (City and state).
 5. Cost of the lease.
 6. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
3. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed during the specified period. Please detail by:
 1. Date from which the lease agreement was active.
 2. Date the lease agreement ended.
 3. Why was the lease not renewed?
 4. Location of the building (City and state).
 5. Cost of the lease.
 6. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
4. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by:
 1. Date the lease agreement is expected to become active.
 2. Date the lease agreement is expected to end.
 3. Expected location of the building (City and state).
 4. Expected cost of the lease.
 5. Has this cost been allocated into the budget?
 6. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
5. For each building owned or leased by the department:
 1. What is the current occupancy rate for the building?
 2. If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.

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Answer:

- 1-5. Attachment A lists Australia Post's current, not renewed and soon to be leased properties including locations and lease periods. The properties are necessary to accommodate Australia Post's retail, sorting/delivery, warehousing and administrative activities.

The other details sought are not captured on any central database or are commercial-in-confidence. As such, Australia Post is not in a position to provide the information requested.