

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
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Question No: 479

Program No. Special Broadcasting Service

Hansard Ref: Hansard 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.
 1. Has this cost been allocated into the budget?
 5. 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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Answers

1. Total cost: \$533,538 (1 June to 31 October 2014)

2. (1) – (6)

Address	Commence date	Termination date	Lease/Licence term (years)	Renewal likely	Total lease cost \$	Use
Level 2, Alfred Deakin Building Federation Square, Melbourne	20-Nov-02	21-Nov-25	23	Yes	\$29,683,000	Office accommodation & technical facilities for SBS Radio & TV services in Melbourne
ABC Brisbane Studio 2nd Floor 114 Grey Street, South Brisbane QLD 4101	10-Jan-14	9-Jan-17	3	Yes	\$54,315	Office accommodation for SBS regional media sales team
295 Kensington Rd, Kensington Park. 5068 Adelaide	1-July-13	28-Feb-16	3	Yes	\$51,588	Office accommodation for SBS regional media sales team
Parliament House Canberra	1-Oct-2010	31-Dec-2014	4	Yes	\$245,066	Office accommodation – News staff
ABC London Bureau Level 2, 4 Millbank London SW1P 3JA	1-Sept-13	26 –July-16	3	Yes	\$72,250	Office accommodation – News staff

3. Not applicable.

4. Not applicable.

5. i. 100%

ii. Not applicable.