

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2014

Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 90

Program 1.1

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Coffee machines

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Has the department/agency purchased, leased or rented any coffee machines for staff usage?
 1. If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?
 2. Why were coffee machines purchased?
 3. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
 4. Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
 5. Who has access?
 6. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
 7. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?

Answer:

1. No.