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Question: AET 2535-2539

Topic: Building Lease Costs (SCT)

Written: 5 March 2014

Senator LUDWIG asked:

- 2535. What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department since September 7, 2013?
- 2536. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by:
 - a. Date the lease agreement is active from.
 - b. Date the lease agreement ends.
 - c. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not?
 - d. Location of the building (City and state).
 - e. Cost of the lease.
 - f. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
- 2537. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed since September 7, 2013. Please detail by:
 - a. Date from which the lease agreement was active.
 - b. Date the lease agreement ended.
 - c. Why was the lease not renewed?
 - d. Location of the building (City and state).
 - e. Cost of the lease.
 - f. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
- 2538. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by:
 - a. Date the lease agreement is expected to become active.
 - b. Date the lease agreement is expected to end.
 - c. Expected location of the building (City and state).
 - d. Expected cost of the lease.
 - i. Has this cost been allocated into the budget?
 - e. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.

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- 2539. For each building owned or leased by the department:
 - a. What is the current occupancy rate for the building?
 - b. If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.

Answer:

- 2535. ASIC paid on behalf of the Tribunal \$192,462. ASIC leases premises for the Tribunal's use.
- 2536. ASIC leases premises for the Tribunal at Level 15, 31 Queen Street, Melbourne, Victoria
 - a. 4 September 2004
 - b. 3 September 2014
 - c. ASIC has informed the owner that it won't be renewing the lease as the Tribunal will be co-located with ASIC at 120 Collins Street Melbourne from July 2014.
 - d. 31 Queen Street Melbourne
 - e. See response to 1.
 - f. The Tribunal requires premises in which to perform its functions.
- 2537. Not applicable
- 2538. The response to this question is included in ASIC's response.
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